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# BOARD OF EDUCATION,

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WILLIAM DOWD,  
SAMUEL P. PATTERSON,  
JOSEPH SELIGMAN, \*  
CHARLES V. LEWIS,  
ALBON P. MAN,  
R. W. TOWNSEND, †  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,  
RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE,  
A. J. MATHEWSON,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
JAMES W. FARR, ‡  
WILLIAM WOOD, §  
JAMES M. HALSTED,  
EUGENE KELLY,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,  
JACOB D. VERMILYE, ¶  
WILLIAM H. NEILSON,  
HENRY P. WEST,  
DAVID WETMORE,  
FERDINAND TRAUD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
WILLIAM HERRING. ¶

\* Resigned, September 15th. † Resigned, November 18th. ‡ Deceased, April 24th. § Appointed, April 28th. ¶ Resigned, October 1st. Re-appointed, November 18th. ¶ Resigned, October 27th.



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# ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

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HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }  
*January 13th, 1875.*

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## STATED SESSION.

The Board was called to order by the Clerk, pursuant to the first rule of order.

The Clerk then called the roll of members, as follows :

*Present*—Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, NEILSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WERMORE—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners KELLY and SELIGMAN—2.

On motion of Commissioner BAKER, Commissioner Dowd was appointed President, *pro. tem.*

## ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

Commissioner TOWNSEND moved that the Board do now proceed to elect a President for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT, *pro. tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.



The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, appointed Commissioners Mathewson and Baker as tellers.

The Clerk called the roll and nineteen members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers submitted their report as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....	19
Necessary to a choice.....	11
Of which William H. Neilson received.....	16
“ “ James M. Halsted “ .....	1
Blank.....	2

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, announced that Commissioner William H. Neilson, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected President for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, appointed Commissioners Wetmore and Patterson a Committee to conduct the President elect to the chair.

The PRESIDENT, on taking the chair, addressed the Board as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION—While thanking you for this renewed expression of your confidence and regard, it affords me pleasure to congratulate you on the increased popularity and prosperity of our schools.

The average attendance, which in 1873 was.....	100,615
Was in 1874.....	108,550

Showing an increase for 1874, including Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, of.....	7,935
Deducting the attendance of those two Wards.....	4,130

We have as the increased average attendance in the city, exclusive of the annexed district.....	3,805
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The number of schools and departments now under the direct jurisdiction of this Board is 261, besides which there are several corporate schools, which receive for their support a provision from the school money. During the last year, one school, Primary No. 38 in Cedar street, and one department, Female Grammar School No. 5, have been discontinued, and six new schools have been opened—viz., one each in the Third, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Nineteenth Wards, and two in the Seventeenth Ward, all primary schools, the one in the Thirteenth Ward and that in the Nineteenth Ward being branches of primary departments of grammar schools. The policy of closing schools in districts where, from diminished population, they are no longer needed, should be adhered to as a proper measure of economy in the administration of our trust. Three additional sites for school buildings have during the year been purchased in the Nineteenth, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards. During the past year three new school buildings have been commenced and are proceeding to completion—viz., one for Primary School No. 9, on First street, in the Seventeenth Ward; one for a grammar school on 128th street, in the Twelfth Ward, and the other for a grammar school on Fifty-fourth street, in the Twenty-second Ward.

The cost of the school system for the year 1874 was, including the support of the Eighth District, about \$3,769,000. The amount allowed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the schools in the County of New York was \$3,752,000; to this was added an allowance of \$166,000 for the support of the schools in the newly annexed district, making a total of \$3,918,500. From this sum the Board of Education voluntarily relinquished \$150,000.

At the appointed time, during the fall, the Board of Education sent to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment an estimate of \$3,683,000 for the support of the schools, including the Eighth District, the Nautical School, and the cost of enforcing the Compulsory Education law. This Board was alive to the necessity

of keeping the expenses of our schools at the lowest cost at which they could be properly conducted. The members realized that the high rate of taxation required for the support of the city government admonished every officer charged with expending the public money to be frugal and cautious, and the requisition was sent to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment marked down to the minimum figure at which it was estimated the schools could be carried on for the year. This amount asked for was finally by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment reduced to \$3,583,000. The whole amount estimated for salaries of teachers being allowed, but \$100,000 was deducted from the amount required for general purposes.

This reduction will prevent the erection and establishment of new schools in locations where they are loudly called for by increasing population; and when we consider that we have this year the Nautical School to maintain, and the Compulsory Education law to enforce, it will be necessary for us to weigh well the appropriation of every dollar, using our best judgment in the disposition of the means at our disposal, endeavoring to accomplish the most desirable results with the least possible outlay.

We should earnestly call upon trustees and teachers by the exercise of the most vigilant economy to prevent all unnecessary expenses. Our system is composed, as has been shown, of 261 schools and departments. If, therefore, an average of \$1,000 in each of these schools and departments is saved or spent, the aggregate sum is \$261,000.

The Board of Education have in the past year wisely resisted all applications to tear down substantial buildings in order to substitute others of a newer style and fashion. Several buildings which it was urged should, at great expense, be torn down and replaced, have, at a moderate cost, been enlarged, repaired, and made in every respect all that should be desired. It is to be hoped that no departure from this precedent will hereafter be approved.

To what extent, beyond the simple elements, the State should be required to educate her children, is a question which will this year call for your serious and deliberate consideration. Where exactly we should draw the line between what shall be taught and what must be excluded deserves the most intelligent discrimination. There will be found but few to advocate the exclusion of all teaching above the rudiments, while there are many who charge that we are now going beyond the limits of common school instruction. Those who refer to the early days of our public schools and would set back the system to the old mark must remember that the world moves on, and that circumstances and sentiments develope and mature, and it is the duty of those having in charge a great public trust to recognize and deal with the present situation. That to some extent our scholars are required, or induced, to undertake too many studies at one time, and that in many cases they are compelled to devote, out of school, too much and too severe application to their lessons, I am inclined to believe. It may be that the instruction is not always as practical as it should be, and that frequently that which should be thoroughly and accurately taught is slighted, while the pupil is hurried into studies for which there has been no previous preparation, and for which there is an insufficiency of intellectual maturity. Our first duty is to provide plain and practical instruction to be imparted by teachers who understand their work, and who are experts in that which they undertake to teach. About this there can be no dispute. The foundation must be substantially laid. How high and how æsthetically we shall build is open to discussion by those who differ widely in their views.

Since the Board of Education received the schools from the Board of Public Instruction they have revised the course of study, striking from it much that was pretentious, with which it was embarrassed, and engrafting upon it much that is thoroughly utilitarian. Something more may yet remain to be done in the same direction, in order to render it so simple and practical that our scholars may be taught only that which it is important they

should learn, instead of being encouraged to reach after that which they cannot grasp. It is worthy of inquiry whether we are not teaching too much by rote, and whether the instruction would not be more efficient and some expense saved by reducing the number and variety of text books in use in our schools. In previous communications to the Board of Education I have recommended a change in the arrangements of some of our schools so as more completely to adapt them to the wants of the neighborhoods in which they are located. To this suggestion I would again invite your attention.

We are maintaining schools as grammar schools which would better thrive and accomplish a more useful work, and do it more economically as a higher grade of primary schools, with all the departments in the building consolidated into one school, graded from the lowest primary class up through as many grammar school grades as there are scholars sufficient to form the classes.

The complaint is made that the mere administration of our schools involves too great expense, that a principal to each department is not needed, and that harmony would be promoted by having but one principal in a building. While I am unwilling prematurely to commit myself to such a policy, I recommend that the experiment be tried whenever a vacancy shall occur in the principalship of a primary department in a building exclusively occupied by one sex; in which case the principal of the grammar department might be placed temporarily also over the primary department.

The Normal College, since its reassembling in September, shows a very gratifying increase in the number of pupils. The changes made last year in the course of study, as it was received from our predecessors, have removed difficulties which before existed. Some further modifications in its arrangements will add to its popularity, and make it conform to the purpose for which it was established.

I trust that this year may be allowed to pass without any



disturbance of teachers' salaries or agitation of the question. It is generally conceded by the members of this Board and by citizens out of it, that the salaries which we are paying our teachers are not too high, and as we shall not have the means, even if so disposed, to increase salaries, no good can arise from the discussion of the question. Teachers are alarmed and made nervous by propositions to interfere with their fixed compensation, are unsettled in their plans and calculations for the future, and to a degree unfitted for the performance of their duties. I would have them feel assured that while they are capable and faithful to their trust their salaries shall not be reduced.

On the first day of this year the law commonly known as the "Compulsory Education law" went into effect. This Board has passed an ordinance in conformity therewith, which may require some slight modification before receiving the approval of a judge of the Supreme Court, which there is no doubt it will promptly obtain, and the ordinance will then immediately go into operation.

The Board has resolved that during the present month a superintendent and eight subordinate agents of truancy shall be appointed to carry out the provisions of this law. That a great moral effect has already been produced by the action taken is evidenced by the application for admission to our schools from children who have heretofore neglected to attend school, and who would under the law be subject to the compulsion and their parents liable to the penalty. While the law should and will be enforced as far as practicable, this Board will keep prominently in view its beneficent character, and will instruct its agents to use their authority with gentleness and discretion, seeking rather to win by argument and persuasion than to drive by force. We should earnestly ask the aid of all benevolent citizens in carrying out this law, exerting, where they can, such an influence over parents as may induce them to send voluntarily their children to be properly instructed, and supplementing our efforts, in cases of poverty, by providing suitable school garments for those who

could not otherwise procure them, and assisting families dependent for support upon the employment of the children, enabling those children to be more easily spared from their daily toil. Let us call upon all good citizens to give us in every way their moral and material co-operation in this delicate, onerous and important work.

The Nautical School, placed by the law under the charge of this Board, is now prepared to commence the work of "educating and training pupils in the science and practice of navigation." The United States ship *St. Marys*, lying in the East River, at the foot of Twenty-third street, is receiving on board such lads of good character as shall have passed the required examination. This school must not be regarded in any respect as a reformatory institution. It has, for its object, the preparation of young men of unquestionable character, for service in our commercial marine. No young man will be received as a pupil who cannot bring evidence of antecedent good character. It is hoped that the greatest commercial city in the Western Hemisphere, whose future greatness and glory must depend upon her commerce, will cheerfully encourage an enterprise so directly for the advancement of her peculiar interest, and that the good results from this school will be so marked that its usefulness will be extended by enlarged accommodations for an increased attendance upon its instruction and training.

The matter of the school building in the Twenty-fourth Ward, which, since the annexation of the Westchester district, has been in dispute and litigation, was early in this month finally settled, the city having paid the judgment, and received the property. It is now proper, that, without prejudice, the building, its location and surroundings, be carefully examined to ascertain whether it can be made safe and suitable for occupation by our teachers and children.

The Board of Education will be held by the people to a strict account for the proper management of the school system, and it will not be possible to shift any portion of the responsibility upon

other bodies or individuals. Clothed by statute with "full control of the public schools and public school system" of this city, it must see that nothing good fails and no evil prevails through its neglect or hesitation to act. While the Trustees have their designated functions and duties, their acts are subject to revision by this Board and themselves removable by it for cause; therefore, if any wrong in our schools is tolerated the charge will be justly made that the Board of Education is remiss in the performance of its duty.

Under such rules and regulations as the Board of Education may prescribe, the Trustees are empowered to appoint the subordinate teachers for the schools in their respective Wards, while upon the Board of Education devolves the duty of appointing principals and vice-principals for all the schools. The Board of Trustees have, indeed, during twenty days, the privilege of nominating, suggesting the names of candidates, or expressing a preference for the persons to fill the vacancies, but after the expiration of twenty days the power to appoint is absolute with this Board. Where the power is lodged there rests the responsibility for the proper exercise of the power, judiciously, impartially, firmly. Any delicacy which admits that the local Boards have the right to dictate appointments of principals or vice-principals, nullifies the law which has for a wise purpose placed the authority in the Board of Education. In making these appointments Ward lines should not be regarded. The person best qualified for the position and taking all the schools of the city as parts of one great system, most entitled from seniority to promotion, should be appointed. By no other course shall we preserve the unity of the system, place our schools under the best management, and encourage the *esprit de corps* of our teachers.

We have now, gentlemen, fairly entered upon the new year. Some of you found that the labor and care of the past year engrossed much of your time and thoughts; the present year, with its increased obligations, we shall probably find still more exacting in its demands, but the importance of the work will recon-

ile you to the labor and sacrifices. When we meet to consult, deliberate and decide upon matters which will come before us, our opinions as to the policy to be pursued and our appreciation of those who are employed to do the work may widely differ. In advance I ask from those whose views I may not be able to adopt that same charity in judgment which I shall cheerfully accord to them, and in the discharge of the duties of the office which has been your gift, I bespeak your support and forbearance, without which I shall be powerless to perform its functions. Trusting that whatever may be our differences of judgment and our honest conclusions, our mutual confidence and friendly relations will not be impaired, and asking for each one of you from the others on the floor the same forbearance and consideration I crave for myself, I now invite you to proceed to the business of the year.

Commissioner WEST moved that the address of the President be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR moved that the Board do now proceed to the election of a Clerk.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners Farr and Jenkins as tellers.

The tellers submitted their report as follows :

Whole No. of votes cast.....	19
Necessary to a choice.....	11
Of which Lawrence D. Kiernan received.....	15
Of which blank.....	4

The PRESIDENT announced that Lawrence D. Kiernan, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Clerk.

Commissioner FARR moved that the Board do now proceed to the election of an Auditor and Superintendent of School Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners West and Mathewson as tellers.

The tellers submitted their report as follows :

FOR AUDITOR.

Whole No. of votes cast.....	19
Necessary to a choice.....	11
Of which John Davenport received.....	18
Of which blank.....	1

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Whole No. of votes cast.....	19
Necessary to a choice.....	11
Of which David I. Stagg received.....	18
Of which blank.....	1

The PRESIDENT announced that John Davenport, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Auditor ; and that David I. Stagg, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Superintendent of School Buildings.

Commissioner FARR moved that all unfinished business before



the late Board be referred to the Committees of this Board when appointed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner JENKINS moved that the Board consider the minutes of the adjourned session of Dec. 30, 1874.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that page 939 be amended by striking out in the first line of the fourth resolution presented by him the words " would add," and insert the words " unite in."

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, relative to paying Samuel Morehouse for services rendered in registration of pupils in Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, requesting the payment of a substitute teacher in the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to excuse the absence of Miss Ellen Hoyt, Grammar School No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking to have the platforms in Grammar School No. 27 sheathed with black walnut.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to paying the bill of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, for printing done during the years 1870 and 1872, amounting to the sum of \$225.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to excuse absence of Mrs. Josephine Cozzens, an assistant teacher in Evening School No. 59.

Referred to Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Miss Guilietta Kiersted for Principal of Primary School No. 27, vice Miss Amanda M. House, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, to grant Miss Frances Scarlett, an assistant teacher in Grammar School No. 58, a leave of absence for the month of January.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, to excuse the absence of Miss Frances E. Westburn, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 66.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, to excuse the absence of the following teachers in the Evening Schools :

George H. Albro, Evening School No. 63.

Miss S. A. Flynn, " " " "

Miss F. E. Westburn, " " " 65

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

[Jan. 13,

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, relative to discontinuing Primary School No. 47, on account of the small number of pupils in attendance.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM INSPECTORS.

From the Inspectors of the Eighth District, submitting their Annual Report for the year 1874.

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said report be placed on file.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the County Clerk, transmitting opinions of the Supreme Court, as follows:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, *January 13th*, 1875. }

HON. LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk Board of Education.*

DEAR SIR—Enclosed please find copy opinion of General Term of Supreme Court in the case of James Kedian and others, against William H. Neilson, President, &c., requested by you yesterday.

Most respectfully yours,

WM. WALSH,  
*Clerk.*

PEOPLE *ex rel.* JAMES KEDIAN, AND

ANOTHER,

*Respondents,*  
*agst.*

WILLIAM H. NEILSON, PRESIDENT OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND OTHERS,

*Appellants.*

FIRST DEPARTMENT, OCTOBER GENERAL TERM,  
1874.

*Present*—DANIELS, DONOHUE, and LAWRENCE, *J.J.*

Appeal from an order directing a mandamus to issue against the appellants.

LAWRENCE, *J.*

I am in favor of affirming the order in this case, so far as it relates to the Appellant Neilson, but I have, with great reluctance, been forced to the conclusion that the order below is erroneous so far as it relates to the Appellants Green and Earle.

In my opinion neither Mr. Green nor Mr. Earle has anything to do with the claim of the Relators.

At the time the bills of the Relators were audited by the Executive of the College, and approved by the Trustees, the Board

f Education was not a Department of the Municipal Government of the City of New York, and the provisions of the Charter of 1873, in reference to the payment of moneys from the City Treasury, did not apply to that Board. (Laws 1873, p. 492).

The Board of Education, prior to the amendment to the Charter of 1870, passed in 1871, had never been one of the Departments of the City Government, but had always been a separate organization, having its own separate funds, and empowered to draw money from the City Treasury in accordance with the provisions of special Statutes. (Laws 1871, Vol. 2, p. 1244.)

See act referred to in P. J. Davis opinion. Also Dane's Laws, p. 1054, section 16.

By the Act of March 21, 1873, the Board of Education was again reconstructed as a distinctive Educational branch of government, and was not made a part of the general City Government. (Laws 1873, p. 196.)

So, too, in the enumeration of the different departments of the City Government contained in the Charter, the Board of Education is omitted. (Charter Laws, 1873, p. 491.)

The provisions relating to the drawing of moneys from the City Treasury, (Charter 1873, p. 491), only relates to Departments and officers of the City Government, as such, and do not, in my opinion, apply to this case, where, as is conceded by the Court below, and by the Relator's counsel, the claim is neither against the city nor county.

The acts referred to in the opinion at Special Term, and other acts relating to the same subject, contemplate that moneys required for the purposes of the Board of Education, or of the College of the City of New York, should be drawn out from the Treasury of the City only by the draft of the President of said Board (of Education) countersigned by the

Clerk of said Board. (Laws 1847, p. 208. Laws 1866, p. 560.

The Clerk of the Board of Education is not a party to this proceeding. He should have been made a party, and the mandamus should have been asked for against him, as well as the President. (See also Laws 1851, p. 737. Dane's Laws, p. 1054, section 16.)

The City Auditor and Comptroller were not, in my opinion, either necessary or proper parties to the proceeding, and the provisions of the Charter which are relied upon by their counsel do not seem to me to give to the one the right to audit nor to the other the right to draw a warrant for any claim arising out of an employment by the Trustees of the College of New York.

If it should be said that a portion of the Relator's claim accrued while the Board of Education constituted a part of the City Government, the obvious answer seems to me to be, that long before the work had been completed, the Board of Education had been reconstructed, and separate and distinct governmental agency, and that the provisions of the City Charter did not therefore apply to any action which that Board, acting as the Trustees of the College of New York, took subsequent to the passage of the new act, and that the auditing, ratification and approval of the Relator's bills took place subsequent to the passage of said act.

As it is admitted that the money has been raised, that the amount claimed by the Relator is due, and that there is nothing but a technical objection to the payment of the Relator, I think that the proper order in this case will be to affirm the order below, so far as relates to the appellant Neilson, to reverse it as to the appellants Earle and Green, without costs, and with leave to the Respondents to immediately apply to the Court for a mandamus against the Clerk of the Board of Education, to compel him to countersign the draft of the President of the Board, in case such Clerk should refuse so to do.

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said communication and opinion be entered in full in the minutes, and referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the County Clerk, transmitting opinions of the Supreme Court in the case of Miss Catharine Murphy, as follows:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, *January* 9, 1875. }

HON. LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk Board of Education:*

DEAR SIR—Enclosed herewith please find copies of opinion rendered by the General Term, this District, in the case of The People, *ex rel.* Catharine Murphy, against The Board of Education of the City of New York, requested in yours of the 6th instant.

Very truly yours,

WM. WALSH,

*Clerk*

IN SUPREME COURT, FIRST DEPARTMENT, OCTOBER GENERAL TERM, 1874.

NOAH DAVIS, *P.J.*; CHAS. DANIELS AND ABM. R. LAWRENCE, *JJ.*

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

*ex rel.* CATHARINE MURPHY,

*agst.*

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF

NEW YORK.

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Certiorari to review the proceedings of the Board of Education, on appeal from an order of Trustees removing the Relator as an Assistant Teacher in the Public Schools.

William H. Rooney for Relator.

E. Delafield Smith for Respondent.

Davis, *P. J.*

The Relator was an Assistant Teacher in the Male Department of Grammar School No. 21, in the Fourteenth Ward of the City of New York.

On the 29th of January, 1874, the Board of Trustees of Common Schools of the Fourteenth Ward, at a meeting held by them, passed the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Catharine Murphy, Sixth Assistant Teacher in Male Department of Grammar School No. 21, in accord-



ance with the recommendation of the City Superintendent, be, and she is hereby removed for incompetency.

On the 30th of January a copy of this resolution was served on the Relator, and another copy was filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education.

On the 4th day of February the Relator appealed to the Board of Education.

On the 6th of February a majority of the Inspectors of the District approved the removal of the Relator, in writing, by signing a certificate to that effect at the bottom of the copy of the resolution of Trustees, then on file with the Board of Education.

The Board of Education, pursuant to section 45 of the rules and regulations of said Board, referred the appeal to the Committee on Teachers.

The Relator, pursuant to notice, appeared before the said Committee on the 10th of February, 1874, in person and by Counsel, and filed with the Committee a series of objections to the proceedings of the Trustees and Inspectors, and to the regularity of her appeal, upon which she insisted that "The removal, for all the purposes of this appeal, was and is irregular, and the appeal must therefore be sustained."

The Committee overruled the objections and adjourned the hearing of the appeal to the 17th of February.

On the 17th of February the Relator again appeared, and presented and read to the Committee a paper, in the form of an affidavit, to which she offered to make oath, but was informed by the Committee that it was unnecessary to do so.

The hearing was then further adjourned to the 24th of February, at which time the Relator appeared.

The Committee proceeded to hear the statements of the Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Harrison, an Inspector of the District, Mr. Hunter, and one of the Trustees of the Ward, Mr. Smith, and of the Relator on her own behalf.

The Relator requested and insisted that the statements should be on oath, and the persons named should be sworn as witnesses.

The Committee refused to require these statements to be on oath.

The Relator also offered to prove the facts alleged in her statement presented to the Committee on its first meeting, the substance of which was that the "Principal of said Male Department" was incompetent, "both as a Principal and Teacher," and that her incompetency was due to the incompetency and neglect of the Principal.

The Committee refused to receive such proof, or to enter upon any investigation of the allegations against the Principal or other persons named in the statement.

The Committee reported to the Board a statement setting forth their proceedings, with a resolution approving the action of the Trustees in removing the Relator, together with a resolution requesting the Trustees to transfer her to some position in one of the Primary Departments.

On the 4th of March, 1874, the Board of Education disposed finally of the appeal by the adoption of the report of the Committee and the resolutions therein contained.

The Teachers employed in the Public Schools of this city do not hold a public office.

They are simply employés of the Trustees of the Schools in whose service they are engaged, but the manner of employing and of removing them is regulated, to some extent, by statute.

The 12th section of the act relative to Common Schools in the City of New York, passed April 25, 1864 (see Laws 1864, page 825), provides that "The Board of Trustees for the Ward, by the vote of the majority of the whole number of Trustees in office, may remove Teachers employed therein other than Principal and Vice-Principals, and may also remove Janitors, provided the removal is approved in writing by a majority of the Inspectors of the District, and provided further that any Teacher so removed shall have a right to appeal to the Board of Education, under such rules as it may prescribe; and the said Board shall have power, after hearing the answers of the Trustees, to reinstate the Teacher."

The number of Trustees in each Ward is five, and the number of Inspectors in each District is three (Laws of 1873, chap. 112, sec. 6 and sec. 7).

The papers show that the Relator was removed at a stated meeting of the Board of Trustees, four Trustees being present, and that the resolution of removal was unanimously adopted, and it appears that two of the three Inspectors afterwards approved such removal in writing.

The action of these officers respectively was strictly regular under the statute.

It is not necessary that the approval of the Inspectors should be given at the meeting of the Board of Trustees, nor is it required to precede the action of the latter body.

It is enough that it is given in writing after the Board have acted, and its endorsement in this case upon the resolution filed with the Board of Education was a proper and effective mode of expressing the approval.

The Relator had taken her appeal before the approval of her removal by the Inspectors.

That might have been a proper ground for dismissing the appeal as prematurely taken, but was certainly no good reason for reversing the proceedings appealed from.

Both parties having gone on with the appeal as though regularly taken, we are not at liberty to consider any question of regularity relating to the time or form of the appeal.

The more material points made are, first, that the statements of the several parties were heard by the Committee without oath, and that the Committee overruled the request of the Relator that the witness be sworn.

The statute makes no provision for a judicial trial on the sworn testimony of witnesses.

The manner of investigating the appeal is left wholly to the sound discretion of the Board of Education.

All that is said in the act on the subject is that "the Teacher so removed shall have a right of appeal to the Board of Education, subject to such rules as it may prescribe, and the Board shall have power, after hearing the answers of the Trustees, to reinstate the Teacher."

This supervisory power is not necessarily in the nature of a judicial trial of issues of fact.

The substantial duty of the Board is to see that injustice has not been done to the Teacher by the Trustees, and that the removal has not been made upon improper or inadequate grounds.

The delicate nature of the duty devolved upon the Trustees, to see to it that unfit or incompetent persons are not put or kept in charge of the children who attend the Common Schools, forbid the idea of a trial with the formality and strictness that belong to courts.

It is only necessary to suggest that they must often act upon moral convictions rather than established facts, and upon evidences of unfitness, physical, mental or moral, that would not in courts be such proof as would justify a verdict of guilty of specified offences or immoralities.

Before the act of 1864, above quoted, their power over the subject of removing teachers was subject to no restraint or review, except that which the common law imposes upon all contracts between the employer and the employed.

(*Gildersleeve vs. The Board of Education*, 17 Abb. 207; *Res vs. School Officers*, 18 Abb. 170.)

The law has only limited this power by specifying that it shall be exercised by a vote of the majority of the whole number of the Trustees in office, and that the removal shall receive the approval in writing of a majority of the Inspectors of the District (sec. 12, Laws of 1864, page 825).

Where these requirements concur the power of removal is as complete as ever, with the exception that the Teacher may appeal to the Board of Education and be reinstated if that body, "*after hearing the answers of the Trustees*," are not satisfied that the removal was proper.

To convert these proceedings into machinery for the formal trial of issuable questions of fact would not, we think, be carrying out the policy or intent of the law, and would be disastrous to the well-being and good administration of the Schools.

The second point in substance is that the Committee refused to take testimony in relation to the competency of the Principal of the Department in which the Relator was an Assistant Teacher.

This refusal was altogether right. No such question was properly brought before the Board by the appeal.

The Relator could not exculpate herself by inculping another,

nor excuse the incompetency (which the offer on her part seemed to admit), by showing that it was caused by the alleged incompetency of her superior.

The fact, if established, would only have shown that both ought to have been removed, and not that she ought to be reinstated.

The *certiorari* should be dismissed, with costs.

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<p>THE PEOPLE, ETC., <i>ex rel.</i> CATHARINE MURPHY,</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>agst.</i></p> <p>THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEW YORK.</p>	}	
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FIRST DEPARTMENT, GENERAL TERM, OCTOBER,  
1874.

*Present*—NOAH DAVIS, *P.J.*, CHARLES DANIELS and ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE, *J.J.*

*Certiorari* to the Board of Education of the City of New York, and to the Trustees of Common Schools of the Fourteenth Ward, and Inspectors of the Second School District of the City of New York.

LAWRENCE, *J.*

Assuming that this Court has the power, on a writ of *certiorari*, to review the proceedings and decision of the Board of Education in relation to the removal of Teachers in the Common Schools of the City of New York, I have failed to discover on

examining the case presented any error which would warrant us in disturbing the action taken by that Board.

Prior to the year 1864 the power to contract with and employ Teachers in the Schools was vested in the Trustees of the several Wards, under such general rules and regulations as the Board of Education might adopt.

(Laws 1851, chap. 386, sec. 10.)

(Laws 1854, chap. 101, p. 261.)

In the case of *Gildersleeve vs. The Board of Education* (17 Abbt. P.R. p. 207) the General Term of the Court of Common Pleas held, Chief-Justice Daly delivering the opinion, that the power to employ Teachers necessarily implied the power to remove them. And this Court held, in the case of *The People ex rel. McHugh vs. The School Officers* (18 Abbt. 165), that under the law as it then stood the Board of Education had no appellate jurisdiction over the Trustees of Common Schools, in the exercise of their power to dismiss Teachers of the Ward Schools. It appeared in that case that the Board of Education had passed a by-law giving to a dismissed Teacher the right to appeal to the Board of Education when removed by the Trustees.

The Court held that the right to prescribe general rules and regulations for the Trustees in employing Teachers did not give to the Board of Education authority to supervise the action of the Trustees in appointing or removing Teachers.

Just after the last cited case had been decided the Legislature passed an act by which it was provided that Teachers, other than Principals and Vice-Principals, should be appointed by a majority of the "Trustees, and *that the Board of Trustees* for the "Ward, by the vote of the majority of the whole number of "Trustees in office, may remove Teachers employed therein, "other than Principals or Vice-Principals, and may also remove

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“ *jority of the Inspectors of the District*, and provided further  
“ that any Teacher so removed shall have a right to appeal to the  
“ Board of Education, *under such rules as it may prescribe ; and*  
“ *the said Board shall have power, after hearing the answers*  
“ *of the Trustees, to reinstate the Teacher* ” (Laws of 1864, p. 625.)

This act was undoubtedly passed to remedy the defect which the case of McHugh, above referred to, had shown existed in the law relating to Common Schools in the City of New York, and was designed to give to the Board of Education that supervisory power, in the matter of the removal of Teachers, which McHugh's case had settled did not reside in the Board of Education. But it will be observed that the power which is by the act of 1864 vested in the Board of Education is discretionary.

That Board has the power on appeal to reinstate a Teacher, but there is no obligation on the part of the Board of Education to make such reinstatement.

It appears by the case that the Board of Education, pursuant to the power conferred by the act of 1864, adopted the following rule in relation to the hearing of appeals taken by Teachers :

“ SEC. 45. Upon the dismissal of, or application for the dis-  
“ missal of a Teacher, the Board of Trustees shall file with the  
“ Clerk of this Board a copy of the resolution directing the same,  
“ and notify the Teacher in writing of the cause of such appli-  
“ cation. .

“ Said Teacher shall have the right to appeal to this Board  
“ within ten days after the service of the notice aforesaid ; and  
“ said appeal shall be immediately referred to the Committee on  
“ Teachers, to examine into the facts and circumstances of the  
“ case, and report to this Board.

“ Pending the consideration of such appeal no salary shall be  
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The following rule was also adopted :

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It appears by the return to the writ that on January 29, 1874, the Board of Trustees of the Ward in which the school was situated passed a resolution removing the Relator for incompetency, and that on the 30th day of January following a certificate of such removal, containing a copy of the said resolution, was filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education, and by said certificate it also appeared that the resolution was unanimously adopted at a stated meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward.

A copy of this resolution, with a notice stating that the same was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on the 29th of January, was on the 30th of January, 1874, served on the Relator, which notice was signed by three of the Trustees of the Ward, the President of the Board being one of those signing.

The certificate filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education was signed by four of the Trustees, including the President of the Board.

There were at that time five Trustees in each Ward (Laws 1864, p. 822-824).

On the 4th of February, 1874, the Relator appealed to the Board of Education, and on the 6th of February two of the three Inspectors of the Second School District approved the action of the Trustees in removing the Relator, by certifying in writing to that effect.

This approval was made and signed at the Hall of the Board of Education.

The appeal taken by the Relator was referred by the Board of Education to the Committee on Teachers, pursuant to the rule aforesaid.

The Relator and the Trustees, or some of them, appeared before said Committee, by whom an examination of the case was had, and after considering said appeal, the Committee sustained the action of the Trustees, and on the 4th of March, 1874, made a report to the Board of Education in favor of dismissing the appeal, which report was subsequently adopted by the Board of Education.

The Relator's counsel has argued before us that all the proceedings for the removal of the Relator were irregular and void.

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the Inspectors, and that if they were satisfied as to the Relator's incompetency, with or without evidence, their power to remove the Relator therefor cannot be questioned.

II. It is objected that the sole basis for the Relator's removal was the recommendation of the City Superintendent to the Board of Trustees, and that the Board was not authorized to act on such recommendation.

As the Trustees were authorized to remove, it is immaterial whether their action proceeded upon their personal knowledge or upon communications made to them by other persons.

III. It is further objected that it does not appear affirmatively that the removal was effected by the vote of the majority of the whole number of Trustees, as required by the act of 1864.

The reply to this point is, that it appears that the resolution was unanimously adopted at a *stated meeting*, and that the certificate is signed by a majority of the Trustees.

In Gildersleeve's case, *supra*, it has been held that the Trustees are to be deemed to have notice of a stated meeting, held pursuant to the By-Laws. As it nowhere appears that any one of the Trustees was absent from the meeting, and as more than a majority of the Trustees certify that the resolution of removal was unanimously adopted, at a stated meeting, the presumption is that all the Trustees were present when the resolution was adopted.

At all events, the certificate is presumptive evidence that a quorum was present.

IV. The approval of the Inspectors was regular. There were, by law, three Inspectors in this School District.

*Laws 1864, p. 822, et seq.*, I find nothing in the Statute which

requires the Inspectors to give their approval to the removal of a Teacher at a meeting of the Trustees, or simultaneously therewith. Even if such approval should by law have been given before the Relator appealed, the point cannot avail the Relator, because it proves only that the Relator's appeal was premature.

The cases cited by the Relator's counsel do not apply to this case, inasmuch as they are cases in which the power to remove was vested in two bodies, designed by law to meet in joint session or simultaneously.

The act of 1864 contains no such requirement. The Inspectors are not a Board, and do not act as a Board, but as individuals clothed with certain official power.

V. All the points made by the Relator's counsel in relation to the course of proceeding on the appeal to the Board of Education, and as to the refusal to examine witnesses under oath, are, in my judgment, not well taken.

The Statute has not prescribed any particular mode of procedure on the part of the Board of Education, nor is there any requirement that witnesses shall be examined under oath. (Laws 1864, p. 825.)

The By-law passed pursuant to the act of 1864 provides that the appeal shall be referred to the Committee on Teachers "to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and to report to this Board."

It also provides that "if the Board shall decide that there is no good cause for such dismissal, then said Teacher shall be entitled to the position and salary he or she had at the time of such application, with pay."

Here the Committee on Teachers made such examination and reported their conclusion to the Board of Education, by which Board the report was adopted.

The Board of Education, instead of deciding *that there was no good cause for the removal of the Teacher*, by adopting the report of the Committee affirmed that there was good cause therefor. I find no irregularity in that part of the case.

VI. While it is now settled in this State that upon a *certiorari* the Court can examine into the proceedings of an inferior tribunal, and even into the merits of the case, I do not understand that it has power to over-rule or nullify the judgment of the inferior tribunal, in a case where the judgment has been given in the exercise of a discretionary power.

In this case it will be observed that the act of 1864 has vested in the Board of Education a discretionary power, upon the hearing of appeal from the action of the Trustees in removing Teachers.

The Board has power after hearing the answers of the Trustees to reinstate a teacher.

The exercise of such power is not obligatory or mandatory.

It is discretionary or permissive after hearing the answer of the Trustees. (Laws 1864, p. 825, section 12).

Now, in this case, the Court is asked virtually to reinstate the teacher by the reversal of the action of the Board of Education and of the Trustees.

There is no such power vested in the Court.

(People *ex rel.* Banks *vs.* Board of Education. 2 Abbt. W. S., p. 185).

Upon a thorough examination of the whole case, I am satisfied that this is not a case in which the Court should interfere, even if vested with the power so to do, and therefore I am of opinion that the writ should be quashed, with costs to the Respondents.

(People *vs.* Smith, 19 N. Y. 532).

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said communication and opinions be entered in full on the minutes, and referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Hon. E. L. Fancher, relative to bequest of the late Ephraim Holbrook, for Ward School Libraries.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller, relative to the transmission of claims and pay rolls to the Finance Department, as follows :

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }  
January 5, 1875. }

HON. WM. H. NEILSON,

*President Board of Education :*

Herewith please find blank schedules to be used in transmitting claims and pay rolls to the Finance Department from and after January 5, 1875.

It is especially requested that the following instructions be strictly adhered to in filling up the schedules :

The names to be alphabetically arranged.

The account or appropriation to which each claim or pay roll is to be charged.

Recapitulate on the back of the schedule the several accounts and the amount charged to each.

Schedules to be numbered in the order of transmission.

Very Respectfully,

ANDREW H. GREEN,

*Comptroller.*



On motion—

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full on the minutes, and referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller, relative to judgment of William H. Wilkins against the Board of Education of School District No. 1, of the Town of West Farms, as follows :

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, {  
January 9, 1875. }

WILLIAM H. NEILSON, ESQ.,

*President of the Board of Education :*

SIR—The judgment of William H. Wilkins against the Board of Education of School District No. 1, Town of West Farms, was paid on January 2, 1875, and satisfaction thereof received on that day.

Deed for the premises bought in by Mr. Wilkins upon the foreclosure was delivered by him to the City of New York on the same day, which deed is now at the Register's office for record. The Board of Education can enter upon such premises at once.

Respectfully yours,

ANDREW H. GREEN,  
*Comptroller.*

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said communication be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Alonzo Carr, Trustee for the Twenty-third Ward, relative to the purchase of certain property in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From John Stephenson, resigning his position as Trustee of the Twenty-first Ward.

On motion of Commissioner WETMORE—

*Ordered* That said resignation be laid on the table.

From A. Benrimo, relative to taxes and water rent on property No. 252 West 42d street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Walter J. Stafford, offering for sale lots of ground on 52d street, between 9th and 10th avenues.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From Prof. Thomas Egleston, relative to transmission of documents and text books to the Municipality of Paris.

On motion of Commissioner JENKINS :

*Ordered*, That said communication be referred to the President, with power.

From William Walsh, County Clerk, a certified copy of the order appointing Abel Crook receiver of “ Christensen and Arc-tander,” creditors of the late Board of Education of School Dis-trict No. One, of the Town of West Farms, and notice of claim.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Quali-fications.

Sundry bills against the Board of Education of School District No. One, of the Town of West Farms, viz. :

Benjamin F. Haskin.....	\$50.00
“ “ “ .....	64.50
William Moore .....	7.25
C. B. Schuyler .....	25.48
William W. Gardner.....	300.00
J. Finley Smith .....	79.08
Crewitt Brother ...	47.88

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Quali-fications.

From Teachers and Pupils of Evening School No. 42, for permission to hold the closing exercises in a hall outside of the school building.

On motion of Commissioner WETMORE—

*Ordered*, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

From J. H. Warwick, relative to placing Tillman's Terrestrial Planisphere on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Applications for appointments as officers under the law for the compulsory education of children were received from the following named persons:

Peter H. Jobes,  
Daniel B. Crane,  
Frederick B. Sparkes,  
Samuel S. Smith,  
Arthur Stewart,  
Jacob Brush,  
W. J. Mullanill,  
Martin Will,

George Forbes,  
James Z. Bogart,  
Riker Rokefeller,  
A. L. Hecker,  
George Weeks,  
F. L. Wilmerding,  
S. Rothschild,  
John McKenna.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications.

#### RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner WEST offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Special Committee on Salaries and Economy existing prior to and up to the first instant, be, and the same is hereby revived, as heretofore constituted, except in cases of vacancies which shall be filled by the President;

and that all matters before said Committee on the 31st day of December last, by resolution or otherwise, be referred to that Committee for consideration and report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner JENKINS offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the salary of Henry D. Lichtenhein, messenger to the Board of Education, be increased to the sum of nine hundred dollars per annum ; increase to take effect from 1st of February.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner Dowd offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By Laws, Elections and Qualifications report to this Board, as soon as practicable, whether or not the Board has the legal right to suspend teachers from duty for a limited period without pay, as a punishment for neglect of duty, violation of the By-Laws, or other cause, to the end that the power of removal may not be exercised, except in cases where a milder remedy would not be effective.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner Dowd offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the first paragraph of section 61 of the By Laws of this Board, page 125 of the Manual, be amended so as to read as follows :

**Sec. 61.** No person shall be employed as Janitor in any school building unless he or she shall have a certificate from the Board of Health, showing that he or she has been properly vaccinated; said certificate must show that each member of said Janitor's family has been properly and effectively vaccinated; and no person shall be employed as Janitor unless he or she have a certificate of qualification signed by the Engineer and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following:

*Whereas*, The Principal of Primary School No. 27, in the Twentieth Ward, has resigned her position, and the same is now vacant; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Teachers be, and they are hereby instructed to report to this Board, at an early date as possible, upon the propriety of filling the aforesaid position, by transferring thereto the Principal of one of the Primary Departments in the same Ward, and of consolidating such Primary Department with the Grammar Department in the same building, so that the two Departments may constitute one school under one principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of consolidating the Primary and Grammar courses of instruction now prescribed by this Board, so that the same may constitute a single course, having a uniform gradation from the lowest Primary to the highest Grammar School grade.

Referred to Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Whereas*, This Board, by a resolution adopted on the 20th of May, 1874, recorded on page 421 of the Journal of that year, appointed Jeremiah Rogers, residing at No. 217 Greenwich street, a Trustee of Common Schools for the Third Ward, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of said Ward, caused by the resignation of David Hollis, whose term of office extended to the expiration of the year 1877; and,

*Whereas*, It appears by said record that the said Jeremiah Rogers was appointed to hold office until the expiration of the year 1874; therefore,

*Resolved*, That Jeremiah Rogers, residing at No. 217 Greenwich street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the the Third Ward, to hold office until the expiration of the year 1877—said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the act of March 21st, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented the following report from the Committee on Supplies :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Supplies herewith submit a report of the transactions with the Depository during the year 1874.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
J. M. HALSTED,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
DAVID WETMORE,	
L. N. FULLER,	

January 13, 1875.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES, FOR THE YEAR 1874,

*Showing the amount of Supplies delivered to the Grammar Schools, Primary Schools, Janitors, and the cost per scholar, for the year 1874.*

### FIRST WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 29, M. D.....	162	\$4 66	\$755 16	
“ 29, F. D.....	153	2 65	406 20	
“ 29, P. D.....	333	93	308 27	
P. S. 15.....	98	1 41	138 84	
“ 38.....	137	22	30 62	
G. S. 29, Janitor.....	....	....	37 42	
P. S. 15, “ .....	....	....	41 13	\$1,717 64
“ 38, “ .....	....	....		

SECOND WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
P. S. 34.....	154	\$0 94	\$144 13	
“ “ Janitor.....	....	....	19 70	\$163 83

THIRD WARD.

P. S. 37.....	85	\$3 62	\$307 98	
“ “ Janitor.....	..	....	54 40	\$362 38

FOURTH WARD.

G. S. 1, M. D.....	223	\$3 14	\$699 72	
“ “ F. D.....	278	2 01	557 78	
“ “ P. D.....	439	72	316 66	
P. S. 12.....	358	62	220 53	
“ 14.....	369	66	243 53	
G. S. 1, Janitor.....	....	....	85 99	
P. S. 12 “.....	....	....	46 43	
“ 14 “.....	....	....	33 42	\$2,204 60



## FIFTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 44, M. D.....	390	\$2 78	\$1,085 88	
“ “ F. D.....	308	2 76	850 63	
“ “ P. D.....	656	70	457 77	
P. S. 11.....	294	83	243 37	
G. S. 44, Janitor.....	----	----	66 49	
P. S. 11, “ .....	----	----	68 50	\$2,772 64

## SIXTH WARD.

G. S. 23, M. D.....	201	\$2 58	\$518 62	
“ “ F. D.....	135	2 02	272 18	
“ “ P. D.....	386	87	335 35	
“ 24, M. D.....	204	2 91	592 77	
“ “ F. D.....	225	2 69	588 43	
“ “ P. D.....	302	68	206 30	
P. S. 2.....	260	74	192 34	
“ 8.....	409	91	372 33	
G. S. 23, Janitor.....	----	----	64 37	
“ 24 “ .....	----	----	38 38	
P. S. 2 “ .....	----	----	22 82	
“ 8 “ .....	----	----	32 48	\$3,236 37

## SEVENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 2, M. D.....	295	\$2 23	\$656 77	
" 2, F. D.....	302	1 62	488 39	
" 2, P. D.....	579	41	234 59	
" 12, M. D.....	249	3 04	757 49	
" 12, F. D.....	259	2 45	633 72	
" 12, P. D.....	725	44	319 51	
" 31, M. D.....	187	3 82	714 46	
" 31, P. D.....	520	59	308 57	
P. S. 36.....	656	54	356 79	
G. S. 2, Janitor.....	....	....	89 67	
" 12, " .....	....	....	148 10	
" 31, " .....	....	....	54 64	
P. S. 36, " .....	....	....	40 68	\$4,803 38

## EIGHTH WARD.

G. S. 8, M. D.....	195	\$3 05	\$593 88	
" 8, F. D.....	179	3 01	538 35	
" 8, P. D.....	451	79	354 93	
" 38, M. D.....	303	3 33	1,010 19	
" 38, F. D.....	355	2 93	1,041 76	
" 38, P. D.....	611	59	376 81	
P. S. 25.....	334	74	248 14	
G. S. 8, Janitor.....	....	....	65 98	
" 38, " .....	....	....	64 99	
P. S. 25, " .....	....	....	44 82	\$4,339 85

## NINTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 3, M. D.....	557	\$2 40	\$1,337 16	
“ 3, F. D.....	555	2 20	1,277 42	
“ 3, P. D.....	724	50	365 45	
“ 16, M. D.....	469	2 15	1,006 41	
“ 16, P. D.....	225	70	157 61	
“ 41, Sr. D.....	237	1 68	396 99	
“ 41, Jr. D.....	309	1 86	575 65	
“ 41, P. D.....	542	44	238 95	
P. S. 7.....	303	61	186 02	
“ 13.....	620	47	289 83	
“ 18.....	207	70	145 58	
“ 24.....	582	61	354 75	
G. S. 3, Janitor.....	....	.....	81 74	
“ 16, “ .....	....	.....	59 58	
“ 41, “ .....	....	.....	69 26	
P. S. 7, “ .....	....	.....	22 84	
“ 13, “ .....	....	.....	53 98	
“ 18, “ .....	....	.....	21 01	
“ 24, “ .....	....	.....	24 83	\$6,665 06

TENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 7, M. D.....	225	\$2 75	\$617 99	
“ 7, F. D.....	215	1 84	395 26	
“ 7, P. D.....	766	39	301 51	
“ 20, M. D.....	412	2 81	1,157 41	
“ 20, F. D.....	343	2 03	694 76	
“ 20, P. D.....	1,079	75	806 98	
“ 42, M. D.....	453	2 52	1,140 22	
“ 42, F. D.....	435	3 76	1,635 49	
“ 42, P. D.....	1,515	54	822 11	
P. S. 1.....	1,350	60	809 12	
G. S. 7, Janitor.....	....	....	85 07	
“ 20, “ .....	....	....	93 30	
“ 42, “ .....	....	....	105 39	
P. S. 1, “ .....	....	....	62 99	\$8,727 60

## ELEVENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 15, M. D.....	478	\$1 72	\$820 91	
" 15, F. D.....	448	2 21	988 62	
" 15, P. D.....	929	48	445 80	
" 22, M. D.....	326	1 98	646 24	
" 22, F. D.....	364	2 25	819 98	
" 22, P. D.....	910	48	429 10	
" 36, M. D.....	352	1 77	621 87	
" 36, F. D.....	323	2 55	822 94	
" 36, P. D.....	910	56	508 75	
P. S. 3.....	330	57	189 23	
" 5.....	735	42	307 96	
" 31.....	659	64	418 73	
" 39.....	312	54	169 06	
G. S. 15, Janitor.....	....	....	67 58	
" 22, " .....	....	....	93 44	
" 36, " .....	....	....	71 49	
P. S. 3, " .....	....	....	30 39	
" 5, " .....	....	....	16 98	
" 31, " .....	....	....	46 16	
" 39, " .....	....	....	29 22	\$7,554 45

## TWELFTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G, S 6, M. D.....	182	\$2 17	\$394 33	
“ 6, P. D.....	389	45	174 35	
“ 37, M. D.....	353	4 17	1,472 32	
“ 37, F. D.....	349	2 49	870 24	
“ 37, P. D.....	682	71	481 22	
“ 39, F. D.....	563	2 48	1,397 79	
“ 39, P. D.....	755	59	449 22	
“ 43, G. D.....	141	3 16	467 03	
“ 43, P. D.....	192	67	128 69	
“ 46, M. D.....	221	1 34	296 82	
“ 46, F. D.....	207	1 99	412 07	
“ 52, G. D.....	92	2 42	222 79	
“ 54, G. D.....	150	2 90	435 43	
“ 54, P. D.....	197	29	56 47	
“ 57, M. D.....	513	2 16	1,110 08	
“ 57, P. D.....	852	30	253 09	
P. S 19.....	315	2 19	691 36	
“ 30.....	86	77	66 01	
“ 32.....	85	1 09	92 81	
“ 38.....	220	3 07	674 30	
“ 42.....	201	71	142 68	
G. S. 6, Janitor.....	....	....	32 64	
“ 37, “.....	....	....	111 77	
“ 39, “.....	....	....	57 14	
“ 43, “.....	....	....	38 58	

## TWELFTH WARD—Continued.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 46, " .....	....	....	\$62 42	
" 52, " .....	....	....	15 63	
" 54, " .....	....	....	57 89	
" 57, " .....	....	....	43 45	
P. S. 19, " .....	....	....	20 12	
" 30, " .....	....	....	8 70	
" 32, " .....	....	....	13 67	
" 38, " .....	....	....	50 55	
" 42, " .....	....	....	77 60	\$10,879 26

## THIRTEENTH WARD.

G. S. 4, M. D.....	319	\$2 81	\$897 72	
" 4, F. D.....	260	2 72	706 31	
" 4, P. D.....	1,138	56	637 22	
" 34, M. D.. ..	321	2 77	888 65	
" 34, F. D.....	338	2 28	769 09	
" 34, P. D.....	811	48	386 53	
P. S. 10.....	451	58	261 37	
" 20.....	741	25	185 10	
G. S. 4, Janitor.....	....	....	95 12	
" 34, " .....	....	....	61 13	
P. S. 10, " .....	....	....	43 87	
" 20, " .....	....	....	42 51	\$4,974 62

## FOURTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 5, M. D.....	159	\$1 90	\$302 88	
“ 5, F. D.....	75	1 28	95 85	
“ 5, P. D.....	369	73	268 61	
“ 21, M. D.....	164	3 24	531 17	
“ 21, F. D.....	177	3 60	637 39	
“ 21, P. D.....	393	79	311 49	
“ 30, F. D.....	107	3 51	375 51	
“ 30, P. D.....	335	61	203 82	
“ 5, Janitor.....	....	....	40 99	
“ 21, “ .....	....	....	42 48	
“ 30. “ .....	....	....	23 56	\$2,833 75

## FIFTEENTH WARD.

G. S. 10, M. D.....	303	\$3 45	\$1,046 37	
“ 10, F. D.....	229	2 66	609 05	
“ 10, P. D.....	535	56	297 33	
“ 35, M. D.....	940	2 98	2,801 99	
“ 35, P. D.....	483	71	344 92	
“ 47, F. D.....	696	2 62	1,826 80	
“ 47, P. D.....	502	31	154 02	
G. S. 10, Janitor.....	....	....	90 78	
“ 35, “ .....	...	....	64 58	
“ 47, “ .....	....	....	125 97	\$7,361 81



## SIXTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 11, M. D.....	299	\$3 12	\$ 934 87	
“ 11, P. D.....	546	59	319 98	
“ 45, F. D.....	591	3 17	1,873 47	
“ 45, P. D.....	696	87	602 96	
“ 55, M. D.....	564	2 71	1,529 59	
“ 55, P. D.....	534	85	453 20	
“ 56, F. D.....	449	3 31	1,486 47	
“ 56, P. D.....	703	52	365 52	
G. S. 11, Janitor.....	....	....	73 38	
“ 45, “ .....	....	....	72 68	
“ 55, “ .....	....	....	59 33	
“ 56, “ .....	....	....	51 02	\$7,822 47

## SEVENTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 13, M. D.....	412	\$3 36	\$1,384 31	
“ 13, F. D.....	441	2 11	930 07	
“ 13, P. D.....	933	94	599 46	
“ 19, M. D.....	362	3 38	1,222 23	
“ 19, F. D.....	390	2 24	875 43	
“ 19, P. D.....	851	1 04	882 94	
“ 25, M. D.....	376	2 59	973 97	
“ 25, F. D.....	377	2 61	984 36	
“ 25, P. D.....	893	55	491 51	
G. S. 6.....	285	1 60	456 11	
“ 9.....	465	73	341 70	
“ 22.....	662	56	369 58	
“ 23.....	208	1 60	332 24	
“ 26.....	6 6	38	253 44	
G. S. 13, Janitor.....	....	....	159 03	
“ 19, “ .....	....	....	92 92	
“ 25, “ .....	....	....	83 13	
P. S. 6, “ .....	....	....	42 45	
“ 9, “ .....	....	....	29 37	
“ 22, “ .....	....	....	65 09	
“ 23, “ .....	....	....	53 80	
“ 26, “ .....	....	....	37 30	\$10,660 44

## EIGHTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 40, M. D.....	780	\$2 26	\$1,761 22	
“ 40, P. D.....	509	97	492 06	
“ 50, F. D.....	459	2 65	1,217 23	
“ 50, P. D.....	426	60	253 68	
P. S. 4.....	542	68	369 14	
“ 28.....	606	82	494 92	
“ 29.....	535	72	386 58	
G. S. 40, Janitor.....	....	....	46 81	
“ 50, “ .....	....	....	45 17	
P. S. 4, “ .....	....	....	12 35	
“ 28, “ .....	....	....	11 95	
“ 29, “ .....	....	....	21 26	\$5,112 37

## NINETEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 18, M. D.....	394	\$2 71	\$1,067 32	
“ 18, F. D.....	353	2 44	862 21	
“ 18, P. D.....	872	79	692 80	
“ 27, M. D.....	279	2 93	817 98	
“ 27, F. D.....	238	2 89	688 67	
“ 27, P. D.....	618	54	335 94	
“ 53, M. D.....	439	3 16	1,387 13	
“ 53, F. D.....	420	3 11	1,304 20	
“ 53, P. D.....	825	78	645 23	
“ 59, M. D.....	522	2 74	1,430 97	
“ 59, F. D.....	576	2 92	1,679 70	
“ 59, P. D.....	1,143	66	750 34	
P. S. 21.....	540	55	297 13	
“ 33.....	610	98	599 86	
G. S. 18, Janitor.....	....	....	75 21	
“ 27, “ .....	....	....	85 55	
“ 53, “ .....	....	....	119 59	
“ 59, “ .....	....	...	98 10	
P. S. 21, “ .....	....	....	34 34	
“ 33, “ .....	....	....	21 50	\$12,993 77

## TWENTIETH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 26, M. D.....	445	\$2 48	\$1,103 93	
" 26, P. D.....	697	61	422 99	
" 32, M. D.....	497	2 36	1,171 59	
" 32, P. D.....	1,115	72	806 16	
" 33, F. D.....	600	2 99	1,791 18	
" 33, P. D.....	1,084	52	567 41	
" 48, F. D.....	438	2 43	1,065 44	
" 48, P. D.....	615	54	334 45	
P. S. 27.....	728	67	488 77	
G. S. 26, Janitor.....	....	.....	53 11	
" 32, " .....	....	.....	68 87	
" 33, " .....	....	.....	67 05	
" 48, " .....	....	.....	84 79	
P. S. 27, " .....	....	.....	35 11	\$8,060 85

## TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

G. S. 14, M. D.....	540	\$2 13	\$1,154 78	
" 14, F. D.....	584	2 08	1,217 09	
" 14, P. D.....	1,096	79	861 55	
" 49, M. D.....	546	2 61	1,423 96	
" 49, F. D.....	517	2 64	1,364 90	
" 49, P. D.....	1,090	64	700 85	
P. S. 16.....	869	97	841 71	
G. S. 14, Janitor.....	....	.....	90 29	
" 49, " .....	....	.....	80 97	
P. S. 16, " .....	....	.....	34 41	\$7,770 51

## TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies per Ward.
G. S. 9, M. D.....	185	\$2 53	\$467 85	
“ 9, F. D.....	166	2 01	334 29	
“ 17, F. D.....	814	2 16	1,756 79	
“ 17, P. D.....	1,231	51	623 00	
“ 28, M. D.....	342	2 31	789 38	
“ 28, F. D.....	296	2 83	837 12	
“ 28, P. D.....	1,005	71	718 51	
“ 51, M. D.....	557	1 73	964 77	
“ 51, P. D.....	855	51	435 80	
“ 58, M. D.....	744	2 23	1,656 38	
“ 58, P. D.....	1,031	56	580 83	
P. S. 17.....	255	56	139 78	
“ 40.....	421	72	301 05	
“ 41.....	436	55	238 76	
G. S. 9, Janitor.....	....	....	83 91	
“ 17, “ .....	....	....	73 46	
“ 28, “ .....	....	....	78 28	
“ 51, “ .....	....	....	72 53	
“ 58, “ .....	....	....	72 36	
P. S. 17, “ .....	....	....	34 39	
“ 40, “ .....	....	....	25 55	
“ 41, “ .....	....	....	19 94	\$10,304 73

**TWENTY-THIRD WARD.**

<b>SCHOOL AND JANITOR.</b>	<b>Average Attend- ance.</b>	<b>Cost per Scholar.</b>	<b>Cost Supplies 1874.</b>	<b>Total Cost Supplies per Ward.</b>
G. S. 60, G. D.....	258	\$4 33	\$1,116 73	
“ 60, P. D. ....	669	96	644 73	
“ 61, G. D.....	208	5 32	1,107 22	
“ 61, P. D.....	320	1 30	416 82	
“ 62, G. D.....	202	6 38	1,289 34	
“ 62, P. D.....	619	1 31	818 32	
P. S. 43.....	61	4 03	245 58	
“ 44.....	176	2 21	388 32	
G. S. 60, Janitor.....	....	....	38 49	
“ 61 “ .....	....	....	53 43	
“ 62 “ .....	....	....	46 68	
P. S. 43 “ .....	....	....	20 75	
“ 44 “ .....	....	....	51 82	\$6,238 2

**TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.**

<b>SCHOOL AND JANITOR.</b>	<b>Average Attend- ance.</b>	<b>Cost per Scholar.</b>	<b>Cost Supplies 1874.</b>	<b>Total Cost Supplies per Ward.</b>
G. S. 63, G. D.....	198	\$4 02	\$795 14	
" 63, P. D.....	174	1 64	285 53	
" 64, G. D.....	134	5 26	705 47	
" 64, P. D.....	114	2 07	236 21	
" 65, G. D.....	161	2 92	470 83	
" 65, P. D.....	190	91	172 37	
" 66, G. D.....	65	3 22	209 16	
" 66, P. D.....	86	1 58	135 54	
" 67, G. D.....	52	5 86	304 67	
" 67, P. D.....	68	2 37	161 29	
P. S. 45.....	156	2 04	318 16	
" 46.....	97	1 77	171 79	
" 47.....	32	4 37	139 98	
" 48.....	90	2 07	186 38	
G. S. 63, Janitor.....	.....	.....	75 76	
" 64, " .....	.....	.....	53 53	
" 65, " .....	.....	.....	30 77	
" 66, " .....	.....	.....	17 48	
" 67, " .....	.....	.....	55 09	
P. S. 45, " .....	.....	.....	37 98	
" 46, " .....	.....	.....	27 76	
" 47, " .....	.....	.....	23 16	
" 48, " .....	.....	.....	18 33	\$4,632 38
<b>Total.....</b>				<b>\$142,192 45</b>



## NORMAL COLLEGE, &amp;c.

Cost Supplies, 1874.

Normal College.....	\$3,150 41
"    "    Janitor.....	148 03
Model Primary School.....	595 21
"    "    "    Janitor.....	66 32
Evening High School.....	1,277 76
Nautical School.....	8 30
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	\$5,246 03

## COLORED SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1874.	Total Cost Supplies
Colored 1, M. D.....	72	\$1 30	\$ 93 56	
"    1, F. D.....	73	3 17	231 08	
"    2, F. D.....	45	1 64	74 00	
"    2, P. D.....	163	90	146 37	
"    3, G. D.....	126	3 18	401 21	
"    3, P. D.....	191	57	108 74	
"    4, G. D } .....	155	2 58	399 22	
"    4, P. D }				
"    6.....	45	1 56	70 12	
"    1, Janitor.....	....	....	31 49	
"    2, " .....	....	....	25 98	
"    3, " .....	....	....	60 75	
"    4, " .....	....	....	28 13	
"    6, " .....	....	....	14 88	\$1,635 53

## EVENING SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL.	Ward.	Cost Supplies, 1874.	Total Cost Supplies.
E. S. 1, Male.....	4	\$442 91	
“ 2, Female.....	7	14 25	
“ 11, Female.....	16	131 82	
“ 12, Male.....	7	312 26	
“ 13, Male.....	17	440 69	
“ 14, Female.....	21	120 66	
“ 15, Female.....	11	210 36	
“ 16, Male.....	9	505 31	
“ 17, Male.....	22	426 82	
“ 19, Female.....	17	256 52	
“ 21, Female.....	14	180 78	
“ 24, Female.....	6	195 27	
“ 25, Male.....	17	453 67	
“ 27, Male.....	19	374 34	
“ 28, Female.....	22	332 30	
“ 29, Male.....	1	215 39	
“ 31, Male.....	7	16 08	
“ 31, Female.....	7	287 32	
“ 32, Male.....	20	499 50	
“ 33, Female.....	20	263 97	
“ 34, Female.....	13	170 47	
“ 36, Male.....	11	295 61	
“ 37, Male.....	12	238 18	
“ 38, Female.....	8	235 61	

## EVENING SCHOOLS—Continued.

SCHOOL.	Ward.	Cost Supplies, 1874.	Total Cost Supplies.
E. S. 40, Male.....	18	\$418 66	
“ 42, Male.....	10	460 25	
“ 44, Male.....	5	436 64	
“ 46, Male } .....	12	45 70	
“ 46, Fem. } .....			
“ 57, Male.....	12	95 37	
“ 59, Female.....	19	106 99	
“ 60.....	23	110 97	
“ 62, Male.....	23	130 33	
“ 63, Male.....	24	152 49	
“ 65, Male.....	24	137 84	\$8,715 33

## COLORED EVENING SCHOOLS.

Colored Evening School, No. 2.....	\$22 55
“ “ “ “ 4.....	53 44
“ “ “ “ 6.....	43 28
Total.....	\$119 27

OFFICES OF THE BOARD.

Board Room.....	\$ 38 74	Superintendent's Office.....	\$90 96
Clerk's Office.....	20 58	President's Room.....	6 44
Depository.....	209 33	Commissioners' Account.....	75 07
Finance Department.....	35 14	Special Grants.....	17 50
Supt's Buildings.....	88 82	Com. on By-Laws.....	17 52
Record Office.....	52 40	Janitor's Hall.....	89 86
Total.....		\$742 36	

TRUSTEE'S ACCOUNT.

First Ward.....	\$ 7 72	Fifteenth Ward.....	\$ 6 50
Fifth Ward.....	11 52	Seventeenth Ward.....	16 23
Seventh Ward.....	20 65	Eighteenth Ward.....	6 79
Ninth Ward.....	18 72	Nineteenth Ward.....	7 46
Tenth Ward.....	17 54	Twentieth Ward.....	17 32
Twelfth Ward.....	18 75	Twenty-Second Ward.....	18 27
Thirteenth Ward.....	12 28	Twenty-Third Ward.....	7 10
Fourteenth Ward.....	22 57	Twenty-Fourth Ward.....	19 84
Total.....		\$229 26	

INSPECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

Third District.....	\$ 57
Fourth District.....	19 19
Seventh District.....	10 11
Eighth District.....	13 60
Total.....	\$43 47

RECAPITULATION.

Amount of Supplies furnished to schools, 1st Ward...				Amount of Supplies furnished to Grammar Schools...		\$121,054 77
"	"	"	2d	"	Primary Schools....	14,843 49
"	"	"	3d	"	Janitors, Grammar	
"	"	"	4th		Schools .....	4,665 78
"	"	"	5th	"	Janitors, Primary	
"	"	"	6th		Schools.....	1,628 41
"	"	"	7th	"	Colored Schools....	1,685 53
"	"	"	8th	"	Female Normal Col-	64
"	"	"	9th		lege .....	3,150 41
"	"	"	10th	"	Female Normal Col-	
"	"	"	11th		lege, Janitor.....	148 03
"	"	"	12th	"	Mod. Primary.....	595 21
"	"	"	13th	"	" " Janitor..	66 32
"	"	"	14th	"	Even'g High School	1 277 76
"	"	"	15th	"	Nautical School.....	8 30
"	"	"	16th	"	Evening Schools....	8,715 33
"	"	"	17th			

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"	"	"	18th	"	5,112 37	"	"	"	Col'd Even'g Schools	119 27
"	"	"	19th	"	12,993 77	"	"	"	Offices, Board.....	742 36
"	"	"	20th	"	8,060 85	"	"	"	Trustees.....	229 26
"	"	"	21st	"	17,770 51	"	"	"	Inspectors .....	43 47
"	"	"	22d	"	10,304 73					
"	"	"	23d	"	6,238 23					
"	"	"	24th	"	4,632 38					
"	"	"	Colored Schools.....		1,685 53					
"	"	"	Female Normal Col.							
lege, Evening High School, &c.....					5,246 03					
Amount of Supplies furnished to Evening Schools...					8,715 33					
"	"	"	Col'd	"	119 27					
"	"	"	Offices, Board.....		742 36					
"	"	"	Trustees.....		229 26					
"	"	"	Inspectors.....		43 47					
Total Deliveries 1874.....					\$158,973 70					
					\$158,973 70					

\$158,973 70

## STOCK ACCOUNT, 1874.

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Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1873	\$15,925 31	Total amount Supplies de-	
Amount Cash expended for		livered to the various	
Supplies in 1874.....	171,784 42	Schools, Janitors, etc.,	
Amount Cash paid for 112		during the year 1874...	\$158,973 70
Mahoney's Music Charts		Total amount Stock on	
from appropriat'n of 1873	2,000 00	hand in Depository, Dec.	
Total amount of Goods re-		31, 1874.....	31,530 14
ceived into the Depository			
from the sale of waste			
paper, as per contract...	794 11		
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	\$190,503 84		\$190,503 84

COMPARATIVE VIEW OF THE YEARS 1872, 1873  
and 1874.

	1872.	1873.	1874.
Amount expended for supplies.....	\$187,778 62	\$179,207 89	\$171,784 42
‘ Supplies delivered.....	183,221 67	177,220 61	\$158,973 70

On motion of Commissioner BEARDSLEE—

*Ordered*, That said report be printed in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, recommending that the Committee be authorized to advertise for proposals for supplying the pupils of the Nautical School and the crew of the Ship *St. Marys* with the provisions required by said pupils and crew for the period of one year; and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee on Nautical School be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in two daily papers for two weeks, for proposals for supplying the pupils of the Nautical School, and the crew of the Ship *St. Marys*, with the provisions required by said pupils and crew, for the period of one year; the contract for the same to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, and reported to this Board for its approval before the same shall be executed.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Nautical School.</i>
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
WM. DOWD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented the following report from the Committee on By-Laws:

*To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications respectfully report: That they have presented the provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations, concerning habitual truancy in the City of New York, of children there between the ages of



eight and fourteen years, passed by the Board of Education on the 16th day of December, 1874, to Justice Noah Davis of the Supreme Court, and have requested him to approve of the same, and have had several interviews with him, and that he has approved of most of them, but has raised some objections to others of the same, and has suggested and offered amendments to those objected to by him, which amendments the Committee also approve.

That said provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations, as approved and amended by Justice Davis, are contained in the following eleven sections.

That said eleven sections, with one other, for the appointment of a superintendent of truancy and for the appointment of eight agents of truancy, recommended by this report, will, in the opinion of your Committee, essentially accomplish all which the provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations passed by the Board of Education on said 16th of December, 1874, were designed to accomplish.

That your Committee are assured by Justice Davis, that when said provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations, passed December 16, 1874, shall be modified into said eleven sections, as approved and modified by him, that he will formally approve of the same.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education of the City of New York do hereby, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed May 11, 1874, entitled "An Act to secure to children the benefits of Elementary Education," make the provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations concerning habitual truancy in the City of New York and children there, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, who may be found wandering about

the streets and public places of said city during school hours of the school days of the term of the public schools of said city, having no lawful occupation, and growing up in ignorance, which are contained in the following eleven sections, viz.:

SECTION 1. A complete census of all children in each Ward of the City of New York, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, shall be made in duplicate as soon as the same can be done, and one thereof shall be kept by the School Trustees of each Ward, and the other shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education.

SEC. 2. Each Ward shall be divided into as many Districts as there shall be School-Houses in the Ward, and each District shall be so located that the School-House therein shall be in the centre thereof, or as nearly so as practicable.

SEC. 3. From the census above directed to be made shall be made and kept in the School-House of each District, in each Ward, a record, showing the name, age and residence of each child in the District between the ages of eight and fourteen, and of each child attending school in that District, who resides elsewhere, with the name and residence of the parent or guardian of the child, with a statement whether the child attends school, and, if so, the place where such child attends school.

SEC. 4. It shall be the special duty of the Agent of Truancy or other officer or agent appointed by the Board of Education for each of the eight School Districts into which the City of New York was divided by statute before these rules and regulations were made, to procure the attendance of the children within their respective Districts and elsewhere in the city, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, at some Public School of the City of New York, and to carry out and enforce the said law of May 11, 1874, and to do so by means of argument and persuasion, and by means other than force, if the same can be done; that each of said Agents of Truancy shall devote his whole time to

his said duties, and shall have such annual salary as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Education.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Principal of each school to keep the said register in said school, and correct the same from time to time, as children named there shall cease to attend said school, and as children not on such register shall attend said school, and otherwise as may be needed, and to use their influence to induce the children in the District around said school, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, to attend said school, to ascertain which of such children do not attend school, and to inform the Agent of Truancy of the District where any child resides of the non-attendance of any child who has been accustomed to attend or ought by law to attend school.

SEC. 6. The duties of the Superintendent of Truancy, or other officer for that purpose appointed by the Board of Education, shall be to see that said law, passed May 11, 1874, and its provisions are carried out and enforced throughout the whole city, and that the several Agents of Truancy perform the duties imposed upon them, and that actions for fines and penalties under said act are prosecuted in the manner directed by said act, and to perform all other duties enjoined on him by these regulations or that may be required of him by the Board of Education.

SEC. 7. Said Superintendent of Truancy and said Agents of Truancy shall meet twice in each week, or oftener, and transact such business in relation to their duties as may be necessary at such meetings; said Superintendent shall preside, and in his absence some Agent of Truancy shall be elected by said Agents of Truancy to act as chairman, and said Agents of Truancy shall each at such meetings, and from time to time, report to said Superintendent all matters and things done by him, or which ought to be done, or which may have come to his knowledge or otherwise relating to carrying out and enforcing the provisions of said Act of May 11, 1874, and said reports shall be kept by said Superintendent for the use of the Board of Education, and be transmit-

ted to it or its Clerk whenever required ; and it shall be the duty of said Superintendent to report to the Board of Education at each of its meetings the doings of himself and of said Agents of Truancy, and all matters which relate to the enforcement and execution of said law ; and said Superintendent and Agents shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Education, and they and all their acts shall be subject to the control and direction of the said Board.

SEC. 8. The City of New York shall, for all the purposes of ascertaining and fixing the duties of the Trustees of Schools therein, be, and hereby is divided into twenty-four Districts, corresponding exactly with the several Wards of said city, and the School Trustees of each Ward shall be the Trustees mentioned in said act of May 11, 1874 : and it shall be their duty, as such Trustees under said act of May 11, 1874, in the months of September and February of each year, in their respective Wards, to make the examinations and do all the acts and things by the third and fifth and other sections of said act required to be done by any Trustee or Trustees of Schools, and all other lawful acts to carry out and enforce the provisions of said act.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of said Agents of Truancy, in their respective Districts, when they shall not be able by persuasion, argument, and other means than force, to procure the attendance at school of any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, who under the provisions of said act ought to attend some public or private school, and who is under said act liable to arrest, to make complaint before a police justice of said city, and procure a warrant to be issued by said justice to a police officer of said city, and such child to be arrested and brought before said justice, and if found guilty of a violation of said act and liable to commitment, to be committed to Randall's Island, to be restrained and detained by the Commissioners of Charities and Corrections, and sent to school there, or, in the discretion of said justice, to be committed to the Society for the Reformation

of Juvenile Delinquents in the City of New York, on Randall's Island, and the managers thereof, to be by them restrained and detained and sent to school there, and whilst so restrained and detained in either case, said child shall be subject, as to the time and manner of such restraint and education, to the control of the Board of Education, so far as is consistent with law and the well-being of other children detained in those places respectively.

SEC. 10. Those portions of Randall's Island respectively under the control of said Commissioners of Charities and Corrections, and under the control of said Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and its managers, are hereby set apart and provided by the Board of Education as suitable places for the discipline, instruction, and confinement of children in said city, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, convicted of violating the provisions of said act, and whenever any child between the ages of eight and fourteen shall be brought before any police justice charged with a violation of said act of May the 11th, 1874, and it shall have been ascertained and determined by such justice upon the examination of such witnesses as may be produced before him by any party interested in the hearing, either on subpoena or otherwise, that said child is subject to arrest and commitment under the provisions of said act, and said child is convicted of a violation thereof and found to be liable to arrest and imprisonment thereunder, and shall be committed under the provisions of said act by said police justice, he or she shall be detained and restrained and sent to school at one of the places hereinbefore designated, as in the discretion of said justice shall appear most proper and suitable for said child.

SEC. 11. Each police officer in the city of New York is hereby required to aid and assist in all things, to the extent of his power and ability, in the enforcement and carrying out of all the provisions of said act of May 11, 1874, and of the aforesaid rules and regulations.

*Resolved*, That so much of the eleven sections of provisions, ar-

rangements, rules and regulations concerning habitual truancy in the City of New York, passed by the Board of Education December 16, 1874, as are inconsistent with the foregoing eleven sections, or any of them, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education, in the City of New York, in the month of January in each year, or as soon thereafter as the same can be done, shall appoint a Superintendent of Truancy for the whole City of New York, and an Agent of Truancy for each of the eight School Districts into which the city was divided before the first day of June, 1874, and that such Superintendent, and said Agents of Truancy, each shall receive such salaries as shall be fixed by the Board of Education.

*Resolved*, That it be, and it hereby is referred to the members of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, and the members of the Committee on Finance, as a Joint Committee, to nominate to the Board of Education of the City of New York a suitable person to be Superintendent of Truancy for the whole City of New York, and a suitable person to be Agent of Truancy in each of the districts into which the City of New York was divided before June 1, 1874, and to report what, in the opinion of said Joint Committee, would be a suitable salary for said Superintendent, and for each of said Agents of Truancy.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
JAMES W. FARR,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commission-

ers Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

*Nay*—Commissioner Herring—1.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Art. 5, Section 12, of the By-Laws be amended by adding after the words "Committee on Teachers," the following :

3. A Committee on Buildings, Sites, and New Schools.
4. A Committee on Supplies.
5. An Auditing Committee.
6. A Committee on Course of Study and School Books.
7. A Committee on School Furniture, Warming and Ventilation.
8. A Committee on Evening Schools.
9. A Committee on Colored Schools.
10. A Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.
11. A Committee on Nautical School.
12. A Committee on Annual Report.
13. A Committee on Normal Schools, of seven members.
14. A Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to consist of nine members.

adverse to said proposed amendment, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the proposition submitted to change certain of the Standing Committees of this Board be, and the same is hereby denied.

R. W. TOWNSEND, JAMES W. FARR, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifica- tions.</i>
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Commissioner PATTERSON moved to disagree with the report of the Committee, so far as relates to consolidating the Committee on Sites and New Schools with the Committee on Buildings, and making the Committee on Normal Schools to consist of seven members.

Commissioner PATTERSON called for a division of the question.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would disagree with the report of the Committee, so far as relates to consolidating the Committee on Sites and New Schools with the Committee on Buildings, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would disagree with the report of the Committee, so far as relates to the Committee on Normal Schools to consist of seven members, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report as presented by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating Miss Adeline G. Kelly for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 35, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Adeline G. Kelly, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 35, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WM. DOWD,		
		<i>on</i>
		<i>Teachers.</i>



The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, recommending the appointment of Miss Julia A. E. Woods as Assistant Teacher in Colored Evening School No. 6, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Kate Stanley, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Julia A. E. Woods be, and she is hereby appointed an Assistant Teacher in Colored Evening School No. 6 (*vice* Miss Kate Stanley resigned), to take effect from the commencement of service.

EDWARD O. JENKINS,	} Committee	
DAVID WETMORE,		on
HENRY P. WEST,		Colored Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, relative to paying two teachers in Male Evening School No. 40 for services rendered in registering pupils, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Joseph G. Furey and Lawrence C. Buckley be paid for five nights' service, rendered in assisting the Principal of Male Evening School No. 40, Eighteenth Ward, in registering pupils applying for admission, during the two weeks previous to the opening of said school in 1874.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, requesting this Board to make application for lots of ground on East Sixty-seventh street, running through to Sixty-eighth street (ten lots in all), between Lexington and Third avenues, as a site upon which to erect a Grammar School Building, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board, through its President and Clerk, make application to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, with a view to having five lots of ground, located on the north side of East Sixty-seventh street, between Lexington and Third avenues, set apart for Public School purposes.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
ALBERT KLAMTOTH,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, requesting an appropriation of four hundred dollars (\$400), for the payment of bills incurred by them in making repairs to buildings and heating apparatus, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred and fourteen dollars and ninety-five cents (\$314.95) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund of 1874, for the payment of the following bills, incurred by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, for repairs, viz.:

Law & Fish.....	\$48.00
T. W. Powell & Co.....	119.92
August Naumer.....	75.18
Alfred Cole.....	71.85
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Total.....	\$314.95

said bills to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward and the Superintendent of Buildings.

Wm. Dowd,	} Finance Committee.
R. W. Townsend,	
R. G. Beardslee,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred, at the meeting of the Board held the 16th of December last, a Report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of two Pianos for the use of the Female Department Grammar School No 45, and the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 47, at a cost not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for both; and stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to authorize the purchase as proposed from the fund of 1874. The Report of the Committee on School Furniture upon this matter is on page 808 of the Journal of the Board.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Commissioner WETMORE presented for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of two pianos, for use in Grammar Schools No. 45 and 47, at an expense not exceeding the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, (\$750) as presented to the Board by said Committee at the meeting held on the 16th of December last (page 898 of the Journal) be, and the same is hereby adopted, the sum named to be paid from the fund of 1874, on the audit of said Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred, at the meeting held on the 4th of November last, the resolution relative to the reduction of the sum of \$380,000 made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in the estimate of this Board for the support of public instruction for the present year, respectfully report: That in compliance with the instructions conveyed by said resolution, your Committee, in company with the President of this Board, attended, by arrangement, a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, at which this reduction was discussed. The President, by invitation of the Board of Aldermen and at the request of your Committee, addressed that body upon the subject, setting forth, by the facts and figures presented, the injury that would be inflicted upon the Public School system by an adherence to the reduction proposed ; and the attention of the Board of Aldermen was especially invited to the sum deducted from the estimate for salaries, \$186,500, as especially calculated to create general dissatisfaction among the teachers, and in many cases absolute distress, by thus compelling this Board to make an indiscriminate reduction by percentage on the salaries now paid. In consequence of these representations and the remonstrance of your Committee, as it is presumed, the Board of Aldermen advised the restoration by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the sum deducted from the estimate for salaries. Previous to this action, and subsequently, your Committee sought an official

interview with the Board of Apportionment, but failing to obtain this, the individual members of your Committee addressed themselves to the individual members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in remonstrance against the reduction proposed, and with such effect as to obtain the restoration of \$280,000 of the sum deducted. Your Committee regret that the whole amount was not restored, as requested, but are gratified in being able to state that the \$100,000 deducted will not positively obstruct the progress of the public schools or interfere with the future plans of the Board, except to defer for a time the erection of a building in the Eighth district and limiting the purchase of school sites. Satisfied that all that could be done to induce the financial authorities of the city to reconsider their action in reference to the great public interests in the charge of this Board, has been done, and that if their reconsideration has not reached our proposition in full, that we may congratulate you and all others interested in the cause of public education that the injury which threatened it by the unadvised action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been averted, and that we may resume the business of the year before us and the performance of the duties imposed upon us without fear of financial embarrassment, we respectfully submit the report of our labors and the result for your consideration.

WM. DOWD, R. W. TOWNSEND, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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January 13th, 1875.

On motion of Commissioner JENKINS—

*Ordered,* That said report be printed in full in the minutes.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Dowd moved that the Board proceed to draw for the respective Groups of Schools to be assigned for visitation and supervision.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Commissioners would proceed to draw the prepared lists, which being done, the result was declared, as follows:

GROUP No. 1.—COMMISSIONER JENKINS.

Grammar School No. 29, 97 and 99 Greenwich street.

Primary School No. 15, 3 Stone street.

“ “ “ 34, 293 Pearl street.

“ “ “ 37, 67 Warren street.

“ “ “ 38, 117 Cedar street.

GROUP No. 2.—COMMISSIONER FARR.

Grammar School No. 1, 32 Vandewater street.

“ “ “ 23, 26–32 City Hall place.

“ “ “ 24, 66 Elm street.

Primary School No. 2, 101 Bayard street.

“ “ “ 8, Mott street, near Canal.

“ “ “ 12, 85 Roosevelt street.

“ “ “ 14, Oliver street, near Oak.

GROUP No. 3.—COMMISSIONER DOWD.

Grammar School No. 8, 66 Grand street.

“ “ “ 38, Clark street, near Broome.

“ “ “ 44, cor. North Moore and Varick streets.

Primary School No. 11, Vestry street, near Hudson.

“ “ “ 25, 545 Greenwich street.

Colored School No. 2, South Fifth avenue, near Broome street.

GROUP No. 4.—COMMISSIONER WEST.

Grammar School No. 2, 116 Henry street.

“ “ “ 12, 371 Madison street.

“ “ “ 31, 200 Monroe street.

Primary School No. 36, 68 Monroe street.

## GROUP No. 5.—COMMISSIONER KLAMROTH.

Grammar School No. 7, 60 Chrystie street.

“ “ “ 20, Chrystie street, near Delancey.

“ “ “ 42, Allen street, near Hester.

Primary School No. 1, Ludlow street, near Delancey.

Colored School No. 6, 95 Allen street.

## GROUP No 6.—COMMISSIONER KELLY.

Grammar School No. 4, 203 Rivington street.

“ “ “ 34, Broome street, near Sheriff.

Primary School No. 10, Cannon street, near Broome.

“ “ “ 20, Broome street, near Clinton.

## GROUP No. 7.—COMMISSIONER VERMILYE.

Grammar School No. 5, 222 Mott street.

“ “ “ 21, Marion street, near Prince.

“ “ “ 30, Baxter street, near Grand.

Colored School No. 1, 135 Mulberry street.

## GROUP No. 8.—COMMISSIONER NELSON.

Grammar School No. 3, Corner Hudson and Grove streets.

Primary School No. 7, 274 West Tenth street.

“ “ “ 13, Downing street, near Bleecker.

## GROUP No. 9.—COMMISSIONER PATTERSON.

Grammar School No. 16, Thirteenth street, near Seventh ave.

“ “ “ 41, Greenwich avenue, opposite Charles st.

Primary School No. 18, Waverley place, near Bank street.

“ “ “ 24, Horatio street, near Hudson street.

## GROUP No. 10.—COMMISSIONER WETMORE.

Grammar School No. 10, 180 Wooster street.

“ “ “ 35, Thirteenth street, near Sixth avenue.

“ “ “ 47, Twelfth street, near Broadway.



## GROUP No. 11.—COMMISSIONER HALSTED.

Grammar School No. 13, 239 East Houston street.

“ “ “ 19, Fourteenth street, near 1st avenue.

“ “ “ 25, Fifth street, near First avenue.

Primary School No. 6, 15 and 17 Third street.

\* “ “ “ 9, 42 First street.

“ “ “ 22, Ninth street, corner First avenue.

“ “ “ 23, 17 St. Mark's place.

“ “ “ 26, Twelfth street, near avenue B.

\*Temporary location, Church, Houston st., bet. Eldridge and Forsyth streets.

## GROUP No. 12.—COMMISSIONER MAN.

Grammar School No. 15, 728 Fifth street.

“ “ “ 22, Stanton street, corner Sheriff.

“ “ “ 36, Ninth street, near Avenue C.

Primary School No. 3, 100 Cannon street.

“ “ “ 5, Fourth street, near Avenue C.

“ “ “ 31, Second street, near Avenue C.

“ “ “ 39, 194 Seventh street.

## GROUP No. 13.—COMMISSIONER BEARDSLEE.

Grammar School No. 50, Twentieth street, near Second avenue.

Primary School No. 4, 429 East Sixteenth street.

“ “ “ 28, Twentieth street, near Second avenue.

“ “ “ 29, Nineteenth st., bet. First av. & Av. A.

## GROUP No. 14.—COMMISSIONER BAKER.

Grammar School No. 14, Twenty-seventh street, near Second av.

“ “ “ 40, Twenty-third street, near Third avenue.

“ “ “ 49, Thirty-seventh street, near Second ave.

Primary School No. 16, Thirty second street, near Second ave.

## GROUP No. 15.—COMMISSIONER MATHEWSON.

Grammar School No. 11, Seventeenth street, near 8th avenue.  
 “ “ “ 55, Twentieth street, near Seventh avenue.  
 “ “ “ 56, Eighteenth street, near Ninth avenue.  
 Colored School No. 4, 98 West Seventeenth street.

## GROUP No. 16.—COMMISSIONER SELIGMAN.

Grammar School No. 26, Thirtieth street, near Sixth avenue.  
 “ “ “ 32, Thirty-fifth street, near Ninth avenue.  
 “ “ “ 33, Twenty-eighth street, near Ninth ave.  
 “ “ “ 45, Twenty-fourth street, near Seventh ave.  
 “ “ “ 48, Twenty-eighth street, near Sixth ave.

## GROUP No. 17.—COMMISSIONER LEWIS.

Grammar School No. 28, Fortieth street, near Eighth avenue.  
 “ “ “ 51, Forty-fourth street and Tenth ave.  
 Primary School No. 17, cor. Forty-second st. and Broadway.  
 “ “ “ 27, Thirty-seventh street, near Tenth ave.  
 Colored School No. 3, Forty-first street, near Eighth ave.

## GROUP No. 18.—COMMISSIONER FULLER.

Grammar School No. 9, Eighty-second street, near Boulevard.  
 “ “ “ 17, Forty-seventh street, near Eighth ave.  
 “ “ “ 58, Fifty-second street, near Eighth ave.  
 Primary School No. 40, Forty-ninth street and Seventh ave.  
 “ “ “ 41, Fifty-second street, near Tenth ave.

## GROUP No. 19.—COMMISSIONER TOWNSEND.

Grammar School No. 18, Fifty-first street, near Lexington ave.  
 “ “ “ 27, Forty-second street, near Third ave.  
 “ “ “ 37, Eighty-seventh st. near Fourth ave.  
 “ “ “ 53, Seventy-ninth street, near Third ave.  
 “ “ “ 59, Fifty-seventh street, near Third ave.

## GROUP No. 19—Continued.

Primary School No. 21, 787 Third avenue.

“ “ “ 33, Seventy-fifth street, near Third ave.

“ “ “ 35, First ave. near Fifty-third street.

## GROUP No. 20—COMMISSIONER TRAUD.

Grammar School No. 6, Randall's Island.

“ “ “ 39, 125th street, near Third avenue.

“ “ “ 43, 129th street, corner Tenth avenue.

“ “ “ 54, 104th street, corner Tenth avenue.

“ “ “ 57, 115th street, near Third avenue.

Primary School No. 19, 105th street, corner Third avenue.

“ “ “ 30, Ward's Island.

“ “ “ 38, 124th street, near Fifth ave.

“ “ “ 42, 88th street, near Second ave.

## GROUP No. 21.—COMMISSIONER HERRING.

Grammar School No. 46, 156th st., bet. Ninth and Tenth aves.

“ “ “ 52, 206th street (Tubby Hook).

“ “ “ 60, College ave. Twenty-third Ward.

“ “ “ 61, Third ave., bet. 169th and 170th sts.

“ “ “ 62, Third avenue, near 158th street.

“ “ “ 63, Tremont.

“ “ “ 64, Fordham.

“ “ “ 65, West Farms.

“ “ “ 66, King's Bridge.

“ “ “ 67 Mosholu.

Primary School No. 32, 186th street, near King's Bridge Road.

“ “ “ 43, Claremont.

“ “ “ 44, Concord ave., near 145th street.

“ “ “ 45, Mount Hope.

“ “ “ 46, Spuyten Duyvel.

“ “ “ 47, Williams Bridge.

“ “ “ 48, Belmont.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Trustees for Common Schools of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to place some person in charge of the school premises in the said Ward, which have recently become the property of this city, and placed under jurisdiction of this Board, and that said Trustees be, and they are hereby required to make an examination of said premises, and communicate to this Board their views concerning the propriety of occupying the same for school purposes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*



**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20th, 1875.**

STATED SESSION.

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners LEWIS and SELIGMAN—2.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on January 13th.

Commissioner DOWD moved that the consideration of the minutes be postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner DOWD, and it was decided in the affirmative.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had appointed the several Standing Committees for the year 1875, as follows :

1—*Finance Committee.*

Commissioner VERMILYE,	
Commissioner DOWD,	Commissioner BEARDSLEE,
Commissioner TOWNSEND,	Commissioner SELIGMAN.

2—*Committee on*  
Commissioner KELLY,  
Commissioner DOWD,  
Commissioner HALSTED,  
Commissioner TRAUD,  
Commissioner VERMILYE.

3—*Committee on Buildings.*  
Commissioner DOWD,  
Commissioner PATERSON,  
Commissioner LEWIS,  
Commissioner BAKER,  
Commissioner HERRING.

4—*Committee on Supplies.*  
Commissioner BEARDSLEE,  
Commissioner MATHEWSON,  
Commissioner HALSTED,  
Commissioner WETMORE,  
Commissioner FARR.

5—*Auditing Committee.*  
Commissioner WEST,  
Commissioner TRAUD,  
Commissioner JENKINS,  
Commissioner BAKER,  
Commissioner PATERSON.

6—*Committee on Sites and New Schools.*  
Commissioner PATERSON,  
Commissioner TRAUD,  
Commissioner HERRING,  
Commissioner FULLER,  
Commissioner MATHEWSON.

7—*Committee on Course of Study and School Books.*  
Commissioner HERRING,  
Commissioner MAN,  
Commissioner FARR,  
Commissioner JENKINS,  
Commissioner KLAMROTH.

8—*Committee on School Furniture.*  
Commissioner WETMORE,  
Commissioner LEWIS,  
Commissioner JENKINS,  
Commissioner BAKER,  
Commissioner SELIGMAN,

9—*Committee on Normal Schools.*

Commissioner FARR,  
Commissioner FULLER,      Commissioner TOWNSEND,  
Commissioner KLAMBOTH,      Commissioner HALSTED.

10—*Committee on Evening Schools.*

Commissioner MATHEWSON,  
Commissioner TOWNSEND,      Commissioner TRAUD,  
Commissioner JENKINS,      Commissioner VERMILYE.

11—*Committee on Colored Schools.*

Commissioner JENKINS,  
Commissioner PATTERSON,      Commissioner WETMORE,  
Commissioner WEST,      Commissioner DOWD.

12—*Committee on Warming and Ventilation.*

Commissioner BAKER,  
Commissioner TRAUD,      Commissioner LEWIS,  
Commissioner HERRING,      Commissioner FULLER.

13—*Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.*

Commissioner TOWNSEND,  
Commissioner MAN,      Commissioner WEST,  
Commissioner BEARDSLEE,      Commissioner TRAUD.

14—*Executive Committee on Nautical School.*

Commissioner WETMORE,  
Commissioner MATHEWSON,      Commissioner DOWD,  
Commissioner SELIGMAN,      Commissioner VERMILYE.

15—*Committee on Annual Report.*

Commissioner KLAMBOTH,  
Commissioner JENKINS,      Commissioner HERRING,  
Commissioner BEARDSLEE,      Commissioner WEST.



16— *Committee on Nomination of Trustees.*

Commissioner WETMORE,	
Commissioner HALSTED,	Commissioner FARR,
Commissioner FULLER,	Commissioner KELLY,
Commissioner BEARDSLEE,	Commissioner KLAMROTH.
Commissioner WEST,	Commissioner LEWIS.

17— *Committee on Salaries and Economy.*

Commissioner WM. H. NELSON,	
Commissioner BEARDSLEE,	Commissioner FARR,
Commissioner WEST,	Commissioner BAKER,
Commissioner VERMILYE,	Commissioner JENKINS,
Commissioner KELLY,	Commissioner PATTERSON.

## COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

From the Trustees of the Third Ward, asking for alterations in the premises occupied by P. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Miss Emily F. Hunt for V. P. of P. S. No. 5, in place of Miss Anna L. Madden, transferred.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to have walls of buildings adjoining P. S. No. 5 painted, to afford more light in the school rooms.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to promote the two Second Grade classes in P. D. G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for a new piano for P. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an increase of salary for Principal of P. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, relative to the school building at Fordham.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

#### REPORT OF THE CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the Annual Report of the City Superintendent on the condition and operations of the schools for the year 1874.

Commissioner FARR moved that said report be laid on the table, and fifteen hundred copies thereof be printed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the following named persons, their several applications for appointment as Agents of Truancy under the "act to secure to children the benefits of Elementary Education," viz:—

Dr. Ferdinand Sarner,  
A. H. Burlingame,  
Charles S. Renwee,  
N. S. Rogers,  
Myer Elsas,  
W. H. Garland,  
Thomas C. Nolan,  
Thomas P. Jones,  
Benjamin M. Clark,

John F. Cavanagh,  
Ralph Benjamin,  
Matthew Glynn,  
George W. Thatcher,  
Gustave A. Schurmann,  
A. C. Martinez,  
Theodore Reeves,  
P. P. Lovett,  
Charles C. Schmidt,

Referred to the Joint Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications and Finance.

A copy of the Last Will and Testament of James Kelly, late School Inspector of the Third School District.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications.

From Hubert A. Daly, Music Teacher, an appeal from the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From P. Gordon, relative to his two children.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

#### RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the various subjects and recommendations contained in the Inaugural Address of the President of this Board be referred to the appropriate committees for their consideration and action.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN offered the following:

*Resolved*, That five hundred copies of the remarks delivered by President NELSON on taking the chair at the organization of this Board for 1875 be printed for general distribution.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they are hereby directed to ascertain and report to this Board whether any book or books are now on the List of Supplies in the Depository, or in use in any of the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, containing compositions forbidden by the eighteenth section of the act relative to Common Schools of the City of New York, passed July 3d, 1851.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner FARR moved that the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as found on the Journal, (pages 869 to 878, Journal of 1874), be taken from the table and made the special order after the third order of business at the first regular meeting of the Board in the month of February.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3d, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners BEARDSLEE and PATTERSON—2.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on January 20th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on January 13, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Miss Mary A. Cowan for Assistant Teacher in the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Thomas E. Cody, V. P. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking for leave of absence for Oliver O'Donnell, P. of G. S. No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Pauline Eckstein.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following named teachers :

Miss Carrie Adams, G. S. No. 42.

Miss Sarah L. Davin, G. S. No. 42.

Miss Ismena Z. Brown, G. S. No. 20.

Miss Sarah A. Bunker, G. S. No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for steam heating apparatus for G. S. building No. 42.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for rebuilding G. S. house No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that Mr. Gillespie Miller, P. of G. S. No. 52, be transferred to G. S. No. 54, without change of salary.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appro-

priation to pay bills of Alfred Dickerman and Thomas Falvey, for work done on school premises, amounting to \$276.43.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to the salary of Miss Fannie S. Keyes, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Albertine Cooley, P. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Margaret Doscher, G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for authority to build class rooms in the main room of G. S. building No. 4, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Lizzie C. Kiggin, G. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Elizabeth Demarest for V. P. of P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for altering and repairing the heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:



Miss Annie Hamilton, G. S. No. 55.

Mrs. Hannah M. Rouse, P. P. D. No. 55.

Miss Adeline V. Sutton, G. S. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to the salary of the V. P. of P. D. of G. S. No. 13.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following named teachers :

Miss Rose A. Mullan, G. S. No. 19.

Mr. Ernest O. Hopp, G. S. No. 19.

Miss Carrie Hazeltine, G. S. No. 19.

Miss Mary Wilson, G. S. No. 19.

Miss Ellen Hill, P. D. G. S. No. 19.

Miss Carrie A. Turner, G. S. No. 19.

Miss Emma V. Elliott, G. S. No. 25.

Miss Carrie E. Cocks, G. S. No. 25.

Miss Lizzie Cunningham, P. S. No. 25.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for P. S. building No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for P. S. building, No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to rehire the premises, No. 17 St. Mark's place.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating a teacher for deaf-mutes in Evening School No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the salary of Miss M. Louise Waring, Principal of P. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Josephine M. P. Hume, P. D. G. S. No. 32.

Miss Angela Gallagher, G. D. No. 33.

Miss Annie M. McGean, P. D. G. S. No. 33.

Miss Frances R. Scott, G. D. No. 48.

Miss Elizabeth M. J. Hickey, G. D. No. 48.

Miss Emily E. McCallum, P. D. G. S. No. 48.

Miss Kate M. Mooney, P. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Lizzie J. Davies, P. D. G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Caroline B. Wardlaw, V. P. of F. D. G. S. No. 17.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse absence of the following teachers :

Miss C. B. Wardlaw, G. S. No. 17.

Miss E. Page, P. D. No. 17.

Miss J. B. Green, P. D. No. 17.

Miss M. E. Parsons, P. D. No. 17.

Miss F. Scarlett, M. D. G. S. No. 58.

Mrs. M. Gray, P. D. G. S. No. 58.

Miss M. E. Rorer, P. D. G. S. No. 58.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for a new piano for G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Frances E. Westburn, P. of P. D. G. S. No. 66.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

Certificate for final payment and extra work on contract of E. C. Coggeshall, for alterations on premises occupied by P. S. No. 19, Twelfth Ward—amount, \$1,300.00 and \$103.00.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred the communication from Professor Thomas Eggleston, of Columbia College, asking for a contribution of school books for the Library of the Municipality of Paris, reported that he found no law authorizing him to donate the property of the Board as requested, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion, the President was discharged from the further consideration of said subject.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Hon. E. Delafield Smith, Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the description of property in the village of Melrose, Twenty-third Ward, for school purposes. [See page 928, Journal of the Board for 1874.]

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From citizens of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that Colored School No. 6 be transferred from Allen street to Attorney street.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.

From J. D. W. Brinckerhoff, asking to have his "Indelibly Lined and Slated Surface Globe" placed on the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From A. S. Barnes & Co., asking that "Monteith's Wall Maps" be placed on the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Miss Henrietta Woodman, G. S. No. 11, an appeal against the action of the Trustees in reducing her salary, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Amos. G. Hull, Esq., Attorney, relative to the Senate bill concerning unpaid claims of 1869 and 1870, against the Board of Education.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Miss Mary J. Dowlin, late Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 5, asking for reappointment.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Thomas C. Swanton, application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Joint Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications and Finance.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner Dowd offered the following:

*Resolved*, That so much of the President's address as relates to a change in the grading of some of our Grammar Schools, and placing all the departments in a building under the management of but one Principal, be referred to a Joint Committee to consist of the Committee on Teachers and the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they hereby are directed to inquire what books and materials now in use in the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board can be dispensed with, without impairing the success of the system of instruction now imposed by the By-Laws and Rules of this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the matter of putting up shelves under the desks, to keep the various documents necessary for the use of members, be referred to the Superintendent of Buildings, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the several Wards be requested to report to this Board whether there are or not more school buildings in their respective Wards than are necessary for the proper accommodation of the children attending said schools, and whether or not a consolidation of any of the schools could be effected without detriment to said schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DOWD offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the second resolution on page 928 of the Journal of 1874 be amended by striking out all the words commencing with "the dimensions of which are as follows," on the tenth line, and ending with the words "on the east side," on the seventeenth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

"as the same are laid down upon a map of the village of Melrose, in the manor of Morrisania, made by A. Findley, surveyor, March 4, 1850, and now on file with and constituting part of the judgment roll entered in New York County, March 3, 1854, in the matter of the application of William H. Morris, &c., relative to the lands of James Morris, deceased."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the special order of business, in accordance with the resolution of the Board, adopted at the meeting of the Board held on January 20, would be the consideration of the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as found on pages 868 to 879 of the Journal of 1874, relative to the course of instruction in the German language.

Commissioner KLAMROTH called for the reading of the report.

Commissioner BAKER moved that the reading of the report be dispensed with.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Baker, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING yielded the floor to Commissioner FARR, who moved that the further discussion of the report be postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

Commissioner HERRING consented to yield the floor, to resume his remarks when the report should be taken from the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner FARR presented the report of the Normal College for 1874, and moved that it be laid on the table, and that fifteen hundred copies be printed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Joint Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications and Finance, to whom was referred, by resolution passed by the Board at its meeting held on the 13th day of January, 1875, "to nominate to the Board of Education of the City of New York, a suitable person to be Superintendent of Truancy for the whole City of New York, and a suitable person to be Agent of Truancy in each of the districts into which the City of New York was divided before June 1, 1874, and to report what, in the opinion of said Joint Committee, would be a suitable salary for said Superintendent, and for each of said Agents of Truancy;" and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That Alexander M. Stanton, Fordham, Twenty-fourth Ward be, and he is hereby appointed Superintendent of Truancy, at an annual salary of Twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500), to be paid out of the fund set apart for the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Act.

*Resolved*, That the following named gentlemen be, and they are hereby appointed Agents of Truancy, at an annual salary each of Thirteen hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,350), to be paid out of the fund set apart for the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Act:



Mathew W. Berryman,	802 East 9th street.
Wesley B. Church,	63 North Moore street.
Jeremiah H. Baker,	Twenty-third Ward.
William W. Williams,	5 Livingstone place.
A. C. Martinez,	55 McDougal street.
A. Bigelow Clarke,	32 Great Jones street.
S. M. Barnett,	697 Broadway.
William C. Bradley,	259 East 71st street.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing appointments take effect on the 1st day of March, 1875.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	} <i>Joint Committee</i>
WM. DOWD,	
HENRY P. WEST,	
A. P. MAN,	
J. D. VERMILYE,	
	<i>on By-Laws,</i>
	<i>Elections and</i>
	<i>Qualifications,</i>
	<i>and Finance.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furnishing an awning for deck of ship *St. Marys*, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee on Nautical School be, and they hereby are authorized to invite, by advertisement in the usual manner, proposals for furnishing the ship *St. Marys* with an awning for the deck of said ship.

DAVID WETMORE,	} <i>Executive Committee</i>
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
WM. DOWD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Nautical School.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, December 30, 1874.....	\$21 50
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, January 25, 1875	6 50
John Crowley, cartage of scales, to December 10, 1874.....	40 00
Ed. A. Coleman, engraving, January 9, 1875.....	12 60
<i>The Sun</i> , advertising, December 2, 1874... ..	10 00
<i>N. Y. Tribune</i> , advertising, November 3 and 4, 1874.....	4 30
<i>Evening Post</i> , advertising, December 1, 1874....	81 60
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, January 12, 1875	15 00
Cushing & Bardua, printing, December 28 and 31,	170 29
Cushing & Bardua, printing, January 11 to 26, 1875	474 25
L. D. Kiernan, postage, to February 1.....	69 15
Pay roll for labor and compiling the census of school children—to be paid from the appropriation for compulsory education, as authorized by resolution, December 2, 1874.....	959 25

HENRY P. WEST,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,

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*Auditing  
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commis-

sioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Miss Emily F. Hunt for Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5, authorizing the Trustees to withdraw said communication, Miss Hunt having declined to accept said nomination; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That permission be, and is hereby given to the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward to withdraw the nomination of Miss Emily F. Hunt for Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5, Miss Hunt having declined to accept said nomination.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee</i>
WM. DOWD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
		<i>on</i>
		<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of Hubert A. Daly from the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward in removing him from his position as music teacher in Grammar Schools Nos. 6, 54 and 57; and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the said appeal, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Teachers be, and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the appeal of Hubert A. Daly from the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward in removing him from the position of teacher of music in Grammar Schools Nos. 6, 54 and 57, a majority of the Inspectors of the Seventh School District not concurring in said removal.

J. M. HALSTED,  
WM. DOWD,  
FERDINAND TRAUD,

}

Committee  
on  
Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking for an appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for procuring Apparatus and Chemicals for the use of the Scientific Department of the Normal College during the year 1875.

JAMES W. FARR,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,

}

Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the payment of sundry bills for Apparatus, &c., supplied the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following named bills for Apparatus, &c., supplied the Normal College, be, and the same are hereby approved for payment.

E. & H. T. Anthony.....	\$45 50
E. & H. T. Anthony.....	31 50
E. & H. T. Anthony.....	9 00

Alfred A. Hart.....	55	75
E. B. Benjamin.....	23	20
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		\$164 95

JAMES W. FARR,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes.*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to purchasing a new piano for the use of Primary School No. 35, and recommending that an appropriation of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385) be made for the purchase of a Piano and Piano Stool for use of said school.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
C. V. LEWIS.		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to having the premises No. 72 Elm street cleaned and so fitted up as to be used for the present as a play ground; and also to repair the leaders on Grammar-

School Building No. 24, and asking that an appropriation of two hundred and fifty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents (\$257.72) be made in payment of the following named bills :

James Hamel, mason work.....	\$46 09
James Hamel, mason work.....	34 47
	———— 80 56
Workshop, labor and materials.....	133 96
Joseph Kuhl, repairing leaders.....	43 20
	————
	\$257 72

W <sup>M</sup> . DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, W <sup>M</sup> . HERRING.	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, confirming the nomination of Miss Pauline L. Hart by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward for the position of assistant teacher in Female Evening School No. 38, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Pauline L. Hart, nominated by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, for the position of assistant teacher in Female Evening School No. 38 (*vice* Miss Garvin, resigned) be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, to date from the commencement of service.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, relative to paying Samuel Morehouse for ten nights' service rendered in Male Evening School No. 44, in registering pupils applying for admission, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Samuel Morehouse be paid for ten nights' service rendered in assisting the Principal of Male Evening School No. 44, Fifth Ward, in registering pupils applying for admission to said school.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, as follows:

*To the Board of Education:*

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, notifying

this Board of the amount of moneys apportioned for the purposes of public instruction, respectfully report: that the amount apportioned, including one hundred and three thousand dollars, to be distributed to the Corporate Schools, is \$3,583,000: one hundred thousand less than the estimate submitted to that Board in September last. This sum your Committee propose to distribute in the usual form, by appropriation of the larger portion of it for the general or current purposes provided for by the By-laws and rules of the Board, and in such amounts as are, by the expenditure of 1874, indicated to be requisite for those purposes. These will aggregate \$3,337,967 leaving a reserve fund, for all special purposes, such as buildings, repairs, &c., \$245,033.

Among the current purposes that appear for the first time as objects of expense are the Nautical School and Compulsory Education, the sums named for these amounting to \$80,000.

Your Committee invite the special attention of the Board, and of its several Committees, to whom is largely intrusted the supervision of its expenditures, to the unusually small amount of the reserve fund, which can only be increased by lessening the expenditures for general purposes, through the application of strict economy in the use of the sums appropriated for those purposes, which fund, unless so increased, will be no more than sufficient to maintain the present school accommodations and the efficiency of the system, and will not probably permit of the erection of new buildings or the expenditure of any considerable sum for sites.

Resolutions in the usual form, for the appropriation of the funds, in accordance with the "ability" afforded by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and fixing the amount to be reserved for future appropriations, are herewith submitted, with the recommendation that they be adopted.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three millions, three hundred and



thirty seven thousand, nine hundred and sixty seven dollars (\$3,337,967) of the moneys apportioned for the purposes of public instruction, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for the year 1875, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the several purposes and in the specific sums herein named, the payments to be made therefrom in accordance with the by-laws, rules and regulations of this Board governing payments.

For salaries of teachers in the Grammar and Primary Schools.....	\$2,250,000 00
For salaries of janitors in the Grammar and Primary Schools.....	120,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Normal College and Schools.....	78,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Evening Schools.....	113,500 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Colored, Day and Evening Schools.....	45,000 00
For salaries of superintendents, clerks and other employés of the Board of Education.....	80,000 00
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	\$2,686,500 00
For books, maps, slates, and general supplies for all the schools.....	\$185,000 00
For fuel for all the schools and the Hall of the Board.....	100,000 00
For gas for all the schools and the Hall of the Board.....	27,000 00
For rents of school premises.....	55,000 00
For pianos, and repairs of.....	6,000 00
For workshop, wages and materials.....	2,500 00
For incidental expenses and ordinary repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus by the Ward Trustees, including compensation to clerks of Boards of Trustees, per sections 45 and 49 of By-Laws.....	58,000 00

For incidental repairs, stationery, printing, &c., for Normal College and schools, per section 86 of the By-laws.....	\$967 00	
For apparatus, chemicals, etc., for the Normal College, to be ex- pended under the direction of the Board.....	5,000 00	
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For incidental repairs to furniture, and for station- ery, printing, etc., for the Evening Schools...		1,500 00
For incidental repairs to buildings and furniture, and for stationery, printing, etc., for the Col- ored Schools.....		2,500 00
For incidental repairs to the Hall of the Board, and for printing, stationery, advertising and other incidental expenses of the Board of Education,		25,000 00
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		\$468,467 00
For support of the Nautical School.....	\$50,000 00	
For expenses of Compulsory Education.....	30,000 00	
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		\$3,234 967 00
For Corporate Schools, for the apportionment by acts of the State Legislature.....		103,000 00
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Total.....	\$3,337,967 00	

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and forty-five thousand and thirty-three dollars (\$245,033) being the balance of the moneys apportioned for School purposes for the year 1875, be, and the same hereby is set apart and reserved, to be expended as may be required, by appropriations to be made therefrom by this Board, for “ordinary repairs of buildings, furniture and heating apparatus; purchasing, leasing, and

procuring sites and erecting buildings; furnishing, fitting up, altering, enlarging and repairing buildings and premises under the charge of the Board of Education, and for repairing the furniture and heating apparatus; for the support of schools which shall have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys, and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law," and not already provided for.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. W. TOWNSEND.	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the accounts of the Treasurers of the late School Boards of the Towns of Morrisania and West Farms, relative to checks for cash balances of the funds received and disbursed by them, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the President of this Board be, and he hereby is authorized to endorse, payable to the order of the Comptroller of this City, for the purpose of having the amounts of the same placed in the City Treasury, the check of Wm. Hogg, late Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Town of Morrisania, drawn upon the Morrisania Savings Bank, for

the sum of four hundred and sixty-seven dollars and forty-three cents (467.43), and the check of Wm. Meikleham, to the order of F. C. Berte, late Treasurer of the Board of Education of School District No. 1, Town of West Farms, drawn upon the Bank of America, New York, for the sum of twelve dollars and four cents (\$12.04), and transmit the same to said Comptroller, to be disposed of as herein determined.

J. D. VERMILYE, } *Finance*  
 WM. DOWD, } *Committee.*  
 R. W. TOWNSEND,

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bills of Holder & Treanor, and Wm. W. Gardner, represented to have been incurred by the Board of Education of the Town of West Farms, late School District No. 1; also the accounts of Wm. Hogg, Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Town of Morrisania, and Frederick C. Berte, Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Town of West Farms; and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That all matters heretofore referred to the Finance Committee, which pertain to the school districts in Westchester County, lately annexed to this city, be, and the same are hereby transferred from said Committee to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, for consideration and report.

J. D. VERMILYE, } *Finance*  
 WM. DOWD, } *Committee*  
 R. W. TOWNSEND,

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1875.**

STATED SESSION.

*Present*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HAISTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, WEST and WETMORE—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners SELIGMAN and VERMILYE—2.

The PRESIDENT announced that Commissioner Vermilye had notified him of his inability to be present at the meeting of the Board, and desired to be excused.

On motion, Commissioner Vermilye was excused.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session held on February 3d, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, transmitting the resignation of Miss Mary C. Tate, P. of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating Miss Louise Higgins for P. of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the minority of the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating Miss Mary E. Dunican for P. of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. Kate Fitzpatrick, G. S. No. 12.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Lizzie A. McMahon, Male Evening School No. 12.

Miss Sarah F. Tonnesen, Female Evening School No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking to grant leave of absence to Miss Carrie L. Moore, P. D. G. S. No. 41.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Miss Emily F. Hunt for V. P. of P. S. No. 5.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Mr. Richard H. Boyce for Principal of G. S. No. 52.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that Mr. Hubert A. Daly be dismissed from the position of Music Teacher

from certain schools in said Ward, on account of his inability to perform said duties in all the schools to which he is assigned.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an increase in the salary of Miss E. R. Drew, P. of F. D. G. S. No. 59.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that Mr. Frank J. Coleman be paid for ten nights' service in registration of pupils.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating a Teacher of Music in the Male Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for new desks in the Male and Female Departments of G. S. No. 53.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the purchase of a lot of ground in East Seventy-fifth street, adjoining site already purchased.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM INSPECTORS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Inspectors of the First District, recommending Miss Mary E. Dunican for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.



From the Inspectors of the First District, asking that Miss Sarah I. Stanton be paid for services during the month of January, 1875.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of January, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, February 17th, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—As required by law, I respectfully report that during the month of January last the following schools have been visited, and their condition, with respect to discipline, progress in scholarship, &c., minutely inquired into, namely : Grammar Schools Nos. 14, 40, 49, 50 ; Primary Departments 11, 33 and 55, and Primary Schools Nos. 4, 16, 28 and 29 ; in all 17 schools or departments.

In these Schools, 229 classes were examined, of which the instruction in 153 was found to have been *excellent* ; in 70 *good* ; in 6 *deficient*. In only four of the classes examined is there any deficiency in discipline reported, and the general management of each school visited is reported as excellent.

In both of the departments of Grammar School No. 33 the accommodations afforded are insufficient for the number of children in attendance. In the Primary Department the overcrowding is so excessive as not only to obstruct the work of instruction, but to be seriously detrimental to the health of the pupils.

I would respectfully suggest that this evil might be removed

by the establishment of a branch of this school, similar to that recently authorized in the 13th Ward.

The average attendance of pupils in all the schools for the month of January, as shown by the returns made by the Principals, was 93,825, which is 2,051 less than for the corresponding month last year; a falling off occasioned, probably, by the unusually inclement weather of this season. The number of pupils enrolled on the 31st ult. was 130 more than at the same date last year.

The whole number of days of absence of teachers during the month of January was 1,943, which is 411 days in excess of the number for January, 1874. This large amount of absence is greatly to be deplored, as it is necessarily the occasion of great loss to the pupils and injury to the schools, impairing the discipline of the classes, which must either be placed under new and comparatively inexperienced teachers, or be neglected altogether. The excess of absence reported at this time is due, to some extent, to the fact that several teachers have a prolonged leave of absence, their places being in the meantime filled by substitutes.

I append hereto a list of teachers in whose classes the amount of absenteeism during the month has been in excess of twenty per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

From the City Superintendent, a communication relative to the violation of the By-Laws prohibiting corporal punishment by several teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From John Dunham, Esq., Engineer of the Board, for the year ending December 31, 1874, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit a report showing the operations of my department for the year ending December 31, 1874.

- All of the buildings used for public school purposes are comfortably warmed, and, with the exception of Grammar School Buildings Nos. 10 and 65, the heating apparatus is in good order. In these two schools the apparatus now in use will require repairs during the next vacation.

During the past season it was found necessary, in many of the school buildings, to remove the wood stoves which had become worthless, and substitute coal stoves in their stead. As a matter of economy, I would recommend that as soon as the wood stoves now in use become unfitted for the purpose for which they were placed in the buildings, that coal stoves be substituted, thereby saving this Board a considerable sum of money in the matter of purchasing fuel.

The cost of placing new apparatus in several schools was as follows :

Model School.....	\$7,100 00
Grammar School No. 2, 7th Ward.....	6,100 00
“ “ “ 45, 16th “ .....	6,975 00
“ “ “ 51, 22d “ .....	4,653 00
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Total for new apparatus.....	\$24,828 00

The cost of repairing and cleaning the heating apparatus in the schools of the several Wards was as follows :

4th Ward.....	\$951 00
6th  " .....	607 00
7th  " .....	93 00
8th  " .....	288 00
9th  " .....	218 60
10th  " .....	235 00
11th  " .....	50 00
12th  " .....	1,211 00
14th  " .....	195 00
15th  " .....	453 80
16th  " .....	1,271 08
17th  " .....	458 00
18th  " .....	1,768 00
19th  " .....	448 50
20th  " .....	733 00
21st  " .....	533 00
22d  " .....	727 00
23d  " .....	70 00
24th  " .....	1,049 46
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Total for repairs, &c.....	\$11,360,44
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New Apparatus.....	\$24,828,00
Repairs, &c., to old apparatus.....	11,360,44
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Grand Total.....	\$36,188,44
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JOHN DUNHAM,  
*Engineer.*

February 6, 1875.

On motion of Commissioner BAKER :  
  
*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

From A. Perrot, of Philadelphia, relative to a Course of Instruction in Music, and asking that it be placed on the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., relative to new textbooks, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Central Committee of the German House Owners' Association, relative to the study of German in the Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner FARR rose to a question of privilege, and read a statement from the *School Journal*, the errors of which he deemed important to be corrected.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they are hereby instructed to investigate and report to the Board, at an early date, on the propriety of introducing into the female departments of the Common Schools of this city, instruction in sewing and needle work, as one of the principal branches of the regular Course of Instruction, and the supplying of the schools with the necessary materials for imparting the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Salaries and Economy be, and they are hereby discharged from the further consideration of the resolutions relative to a modification of the Course of Study, and the study of German in our Common Schools, submitted by Commissioner Baker, at the stated meeting of this Board, December 16, 1874, pages 910 and 911 of Journal, and that said resolutions be, and they are hereby referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books for investigation and an early report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they hereby are authorized and empowered to cause all the necessary books, blanks, &c., to be prepared for the use of the Superintendent and Agents of Truancy, the bills for the same to be paid upon approval of the said Committee, and from the appropriation for the expense of Compulsory Education.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of School Buildings, under the direction of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and

Qualifications be, and he hereby is directed to fit up and furnish suitable accommodations on the fourth story of the Hall of the Board of Education for the use of the Superintendent and Agents of Truancy, appointed by this Board, at a cost not exceeding three hundred dollars, to be paid out of the sum set apart for enforcing the Compulsory Education act, on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—19.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, confirming nominations of teachers made by the Trustees of the First and Eighteenth Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following persons, nominated by the Trustees of the First and Eighteenth Wards, for positions as teachers in the Evening Schools, be, and they hereby are appointed to said positions, to date from the commencement of service:

1st Ward, Mary A. Cowan, Assistant.

18th Ward, James S. Wells, Teacher of Deaf Mutes.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner FARR moved that the rules be suspended in order to take from the table the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books. [See Journal, p. 106.]

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING offered a substitute for the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as found on pages 869 to 878, Journal of 1874, as follows :

Substitute for the amendments proposed by the Committee on Course of Study and School Books in their report of December 16, 1874 :

1. Amend the first paragraph of Section 39, p. 110, down to and including the word "School," so as to read as follows :

"Teachers of Vocal Music, Drawing, French, or German shall be classed as special teachers.

"The salary paid to special teachers shall be at the rate of ninety dollars per year, for each hour employed in any school. No salary paid to a teacher of French, German, or Drawing shall exceed three hundred dollars per year for any one school."

2. Amend Sec. 76, p. 17, so as to read as follows :

"Whenever the parents or guardians of at least fifty pupils attending a Grammar Department in the first, second, and third



grades, shall desire the introduction of German or French, said language may be taught in said grades in such departments by one or more special teachers, designated to give exclusive instruction in said language."

Whenever the average attendance of pupils engaged in the study of German or French, in any department, shall fall below twenty for the period of three months, such study shall thereafter be discontinued in said department.

The only time which shall be devoted to the instruction of German or French shall be the time between three o'clock and half-past three on each day, but nothing herein shall be construed to compel the attendance of pupils after 3 o'clock P. M.

No child shall be compelled to study German or French, contrary to the wishes of its parents or guardians."

Sec. 77, p. 176—Strike out the whole section.

Sec. 78, p. 177—Strike out all after the word "Board."

Sec. 79, p. 178—Strike out all after the word "language."

Art. XXII, Sec. 81, p. 180—Substitute the following, in place of the first paragraph, down to and including the word "grade:"

"Classes which are instructed in German shall be progressed in said language as rapidly as their proficiency shall permit in the course of instruction of the German language, as at present prescribed by the By-Laws, and the eight grades, as therein prescribed, shall be and become applicable to the three grades of the course of study in German, as provided by the By-Laws of this Board."

On and after the first day of September, 1875, the By-Laws of this Board, as hereby amended with reference to the study of the German or French language, shall be and become operative in

all the schools in which German or French shall have been or shall hereafter be introduced.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Seligman, asking that the report be recommitted, and that final action thereon be postponed.

Commissioner FARR moved that the substitute offered by Commissioner Herring be printed, and that the whole subject be recommitted.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the motion of Commissioner Farr be laid on the table.

Commissioner FARR withdrew his motion to print and recommit.

Commissioner HERRING withdrew the substitute.

Commissioner Dowd offered the substitute as read by Commissioner Herring, and moved that it be printed, and that the whole subject be recommitted.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the motion of Commissioner Dowd be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Dowd, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the motion to recommit be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the proposition of Mr. E. Y. Robbins to put up, at his own expense, one of his "Improved Warming and Ventilating Apparatus" in one of the schools to be selected by the Superintendent of Buildings, be accepted; and that the Superintendent be, and he is hereby directed to proceed accordingly.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
L. N. FULLER,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore.—14.

*Nays* - Commissioners Dwd and Traud—2.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Baker, submitted to the Board at the session held on December 30, (see Journal of 1874, page 918) as follows :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they are hereby instructed to report to this Board, at an early date, on the propriety of adding two higher grades to the course of studies in all the Primary Schools and departments of the Common Schools in this city, in order that the pupils in these departments whose means are inadequate to permit them to enter the Grammar Schools, may thus be enabled to receive as advanced an ele-

mentary education as possible before quitting school for the active duties of life"—

stating that the judgment of the Committee is adverse to the proposition contained in said resolution.

WILLIAM HERRING, JAMES W. FARR, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to paying a bill of New York Calcium Light Co. for Oxygen and Hydrogen Gas supplied the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the bill of New York Calcium Light Co. for gas supplied the Normal College, amounting to the sum of ninety-nine dollars and five cents (\$99.05) be, and the same is hereby approved for payment.

JAMES W. FARR, J. M. HALSTED, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal School.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal School, recommending an appropriation of fifteen hun-

dred dollars (\$1,500) for the purchase of various articles required for the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College.

JAMES W. FARR, } *Committee*  
J. M. HALSTED, } *on*  
ALBERT KLAMROTH, } *Normal School.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty third Ward, relative to purchasing a new piano for the Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 62; recommending that an appropriation of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) be made for the purchase of a piano for the use of said Department; the old instrument to be used, in the discretion of the Committee, in part payment.

DAVID WETMORE, } *Committee*  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *on*  
EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *School Furniture.*

Referred to the Finance Committee. .

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for Furniture for Primary School No. 9, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for supplying Primary School House No. 9, now in course of erection, with the necessary furniture. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on School Furniture.

DAVID WETMORE, } *Committee*  
EDWARD O. JENKINS. } *on*  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *School Furniture.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, on the award of Contracts "for supplying the pupils of the Nautical School and the crew of the ship *St. Marys* with provisions required for them, to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as designated," and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the action of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, in awarding the Contract for supplies for the pupils of the Nautical School and the crew of the ship *St. Marys* to Edward Kearney & Co., for Beef at 9½ cents per lb., and Potatoes at \$2.50 per barrel, the barrels at 35 cents each ; and to John T. Wilson & Co., for Cabin Bread at 4 cents per lb., be, and the same is hereby confirmed, and that the bills for said supplies be paid from the appropriation made for the support of the Nautical School, upon their approval by said Committee.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Nautical School.</i>
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
WM. DOWD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—16.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for

authority to advertise for proposals for the Heating Apparatus required for Primary School House No. 9, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for supplying a Steam Heating Apparatus for Primary School House No. 9, now in course of erection. Plans and Specifications to be prepared by the Engineer and approved by the Trustees of the Ward, and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to re-leasing premises No. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by P. S. No. 6; and premises No. 17 St. Mark's place, occupied by P. S. No. 23; and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to re-hire, for a term of one year from March 1st, 1875, the premises No. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, at an annual rent of twenty-three hundred dollars (\$2,300), with a privilege of renewal on the same terms as the lease now in force.

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to re-hire, for a term of three years from March 1, 1875, the premises No. 17 St. Mark's place, occupied by Primary School No. 23, at an annual

rent of two thousand dollars (\$2,000), with a privilege of renewal on the same terms as the lease now in force.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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Commissioner Dowd moved that said resolution be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Dowd, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to hiring premises No. 95 Attorney street for use of Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to hire premises No. 95 Attorney street, for a term of four years from May 1, 1875, at an annual rent of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200); the owner to pay taxes and water rent; the building to be occupied by the Branch of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4.

WM. DOWD, C. V. LEWIS, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commission-



ers Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for use in Primary School No. 35, at an expense of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385), and stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to authorize the purchase, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano and piano-stool for the use of Primary School No. 35, in the Nineteenth Ward, at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385), the amount to be charged to the appropriation for Pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of E. C. Coggeshall, for *extra work* incurred by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, under the sanction of the Superintendent of School Buildings,

and executed in connection with the contract of said Coggeshall for altering the premises occupied by Primary School No. 19, amounting to the sum of one hundred and three dollars (\$103); accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and three dollars (\$103) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of E. C. Coggeshall for extra work in connection with his contract for alterations, &c., of the school premises occupied by Primary School No. 19, in the Twelfth Ward ; said payment to be made in accordance with the rules of this Board governing contract payments.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, submitting sundry bills in fitting for use the premises No. 72 Elm street, amounting to the sum of two hundred and fifty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents (\$257.72); accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and forty-five dollars and twenty-five cents (\$245.25) be, and the same hereby is appropriated from the reserve fund of 1874 for the payment of the following bills, viz :

James Hamel, mason work.....	\$22 and \$46	09
Joseph Kuhl, leaders.....	43	20
Workshop, materials and labor.....	133	96

incurred by the Trustees of the Sixth Ward in fitting up the premises No. 72 Elm street, for school purposes ; said bills to be paid on their approval by the Finance Committee and the Superintendent of Buildings ; and that the sum of twelve dollars and forty-seven cents (\$12.47), incurred for the same purpose, in January, 1875, be paid from the allowance made to the Sixth Ward for incidental repairs, &c.. for 1875.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the award made to P. J. Vanderbilt, for mason work for the new building in West Fifty-fourth street, in the Twenty second Ward, and recommending that the same may be annulled, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to annul the award made by them to P. J. Vanderbilt for the mason work required for erecting the proposed school building in Fifty-fourth street ; and are also hereby authorized to re-advertise, in the usual man-

ner, for proposals for doing the said mason work, in accordance with the plans and specifications which have been prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of said Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	
JOS. SELIGMAN,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

Commissioner FARR moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto "and that any proposal hereafter made by the said Vanderbilt for work to be done under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education be not accepted."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report from the Committee on Normal Schools, requesting permission to purchase scientific apparatus and chemicals for the use of the Normal College, as may be required, to cost in the aggregate one thousand dollars (\$1,000), and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to expend, for scientific apparatus and

for chemicals for use in the Normal College, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the bills for the same to be reported to this Board, and paid upon its approval of them from the fund set apart for apparatus, chemicals, &c., for the Normal College.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. W. TOWNSEND.		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting a Financial Statement for the year 1874, as follows:

*To the Board of Education:*

The Finance Committee present herewith the annual statement of the financial operations of the Board for the year 1874. The total expenditure for the first twenty-two Wards was three million two hundred and twenty seven thousand four hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty-two cents (\$3,227,413.52); for the lately annexed 8th District, comprising the 23d and 24th Wards, it was one hundred and forty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety dollars and eighty-three cents, (\$147,690.83); and for the Corporate Schools, directed by special acts of the Legislature, one hundred thousand two hundred and eight dollars and eighty-five cents (\$100,208.85), an aggregate of three million four hundred

and seventy-five thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and twenty cents (\$3,475,313.20), which, deducting the expenses of the 8th District, is one hundred and fifty-one thousand three hundred and eighty-nine dollars less than the total expenditure for 1873, for the twenty-two (22) Wards, including the Corporate Schools for that year, this sum representing very nearly the difference between the amount expended for 1873 and 1874, for buildings, repairs, furniture, etc. The sum expended for supplies to the schools, including those in the new District, which cost ten thousand eight hundred and seventy dollars (\$10,870), is seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) less than that expended for twenty-two Wards in 1873, while, in other items, such as gas and fuel, there is an evident decrease in their consumption and cost.

The amount that was expended in the twenty-four Wards for sites, new buildings, furniture, heating apparatus, and repairs by special appropriations, is three hundred and twenty-eight thousand five hundred and twenty-eight dollars (\$328,528), while in 1873, for the same purposes, was expended the sum of four hundred and eighty-one thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight dollars (\$481,758). The expenditure for salaries of teachers and janitors in all the schools in the first twenty-two Wards is larger than in 1873, by more than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000), the increase being mainly in the Ward Schools, occasioned, no doubt, by the employment of teachers required for the new schools opened in the 3d, 12th, 13th, 17th and 19th Wards; and the increase made by the amended By-Laws, in the salaries of the provisional teachers of the German language. The extension of the Public School System, year by year, necessarily calls for the additional expenditure of money, and, if the Board can, by the exercise of a proper economy, succeed in keeping the future aggregate expense of the twenty-four Wards within the sum expended in 1874 for the twenty-two Wards, without impairing the usefulness of the system, or withholding any needed means required for its extension, it will accomplish as much as can reasonably be expected by the friends of public education.

The expenditure by special appropriations includes the expense of completing the Model or Training School Building, and providing its furniture and heating apparatus, and the additional Primary School accommodations provided; the extensive alterations made to buildings Nos. 2, 45, 46 and 51; the purchase of one additional lot and two new sites; partial payments for erecting a Primary School Building in the 17th Ward; and, in addition to these, the very general repairs and furnishing of buildings which was accomplished during the summer vacation. The entire expenditure, and the existing liabilities on account of the years 1873 and 1874, are in the total less than the sums placed at the disposal of the Board for 1873 and 1874, about one hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars (\$185,000).

Your Committee recommend that this report, and the statement annexed, be included in the volume of minutes for the year 1874.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

FEBRUARY 17TH, 1875.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

*Of the Board of Education, for the year 1874.*

### RESOURCES.

Balance with the Comptroller, from 1873, amount exceeding the ag- gregate of the Vouchers sent him for payment, (see Report of 1873): . . . . .	\$129,496 39
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Amount received by and credited the Comptroller through the Public School Building Fund in 1873.....	\$900 00	
		\$130,396 39
Amount of the revised "Estimate" appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for Public Instruction in the Twenty-two Wards.....	3,602,500 00	
Amount appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportion- ment for Public Instruction in the 23d and 24th Wards..	166,586 00	3,769,086 00
Total amount with the Comptrol- ler, to the credit of this Board, for general purposes in 1874.		3,899,482 39
For special accounts, viz : Amount received from the Nau- tical School Fund by the Comp- troller.....	3,329 17	
Amount received from proceeds of Public School Building Fund Stock by Comptroller.	45,441 42	48,770 59
Total.....		\$3,948,252 98

PAYMENTS.

By Vouchers transmitted to the Comptroller, viz. : For Salaries of Teachers in the Ward Schools.....	2,098,119 48
For Salaries of Janitors in the Ward Schools.....	106,411 99



For Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in the Normal College and Schools.....	\$76,017 91	
For Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in the Evening Schools.....	105,637 87	
For Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in the Colored Schools	45,420 94	
For Salaries of the Employees of the Board of Education.....	77,146 61	
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Total Salaries.....	\$2,508,754 80	
For Supplies: Books, Maps, Slates, &c., for all the Schools, account, 1873	\$2,000 00	}
“ 1874	160,429 51	
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	162,429 51	
For Fuel for all the Schools and the Hall of the Board.....	86,331 35	
For Gas for all the Schools and the Hall of the Board, account of 1873..	4,388 82	
“ 1874..	13,698 74	
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For incidental expenses of the Board of Education: Stationery, Printing, delivering supplies to the Schools, Postage, &c., &c., account of 1873..	\$1,717 93	
“ 1874..	23,074 15	
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	24,792 08	

For incidental expenses  
of Boards of Trus-  
tees: Stationery,  
Printing, Salaries  
of Clerks, and for  
current repairs to  
buildings, &c., &c.,

account of 1873.. \$2,832 00

“ 1874.. 44,551 90 \$47,383 90

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For Pianos and repairs..... 7,550 00

For workshop, wages and materi-  
als..... 1,902 60

For rents of school premises, to 1st  
November.... 40,483 09

For Normal College  
and Schools: In-  
cidental expenses  
and chemicals, and  
apparatus:

account of 1873.. \$255 12

“ 1874.. 3,815 54 4,070 66

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For Normal College Literary Fund  
for Prize Books..... 242 10

For Evening Schools, incidental  
expenses..... 733 51

For Colored Schools,  
incidental expen-  
ses, viz.:

account of 1873... 16 18

“ 1874.. 2,220 06 2,236 24

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Total supplies, rents, ordinary repairs, &c.....\$396,242 60

For erecting and furnishing buildings, alterations of buildings, and for heating apparatus, and for repairs of buildings, furniture and apparatus by special appropriations, viz :

Erecting and furnishing buildings..... \$82,450 00

Erecting and furnishing Normal College..... 11,997 00      \$94,447 00

Alterations and repairs of buildings, furniture and heating apparatus, and for furnishing buildings, account of 1873...

25,863 73

“ 1874...

153,334 80

273,645 53

Erecting and furnishing buildings from proceeds of Public School Building Fund Stock.

45,441 42

For Nautical School, Salaries and Supplies, from Special Fund

3,329 17

Total for Public Schools.....2,227,413 52

For Corporate Schools, annual apportionment, per Report of Finance Committee of 18th March.....

100,208 85

Total payments for the 22 original Wards and *Corporate Schools*.

\$3,327,622 37

*Eighth District, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.*

For Salaries of Teachers and Janitors.....	\$119,430 88.	
For Supplies: Books, Maps, Slates, &c. ....	10,870 61	
For Fuel.....	5,124 58	
For Incidental Expenses of the Schools, current repairs, Printing, Stationery, &c.....	2,132 43	
For rents of School premises.....	689 96	
For repairs and alterations of buildings, and for furniture and for other repairs by Special Appropriations.....	9,442 37	
Total for lately annexed School District.....		\$147,690 83
For the 24 Wards, total.....		3,475,313 20
Amount of apportionments, &c., stated in account as Resources.	3,948,252 98	
Amount of payments per Vouchers sent the Comptroller, as above stated.....	3,475,313 20	
Balance available for liabilities and contingencies, for 1873 and 1874, with the Comptroller..		472,939 78

*Liabilities of the Board on Appropriations made to date, viz :*

For 1873, Special Appropriations, balances.....	\$1,566 24	
For 1874, Special Appropriations, for sites, new buildings, furnishing, repairs &c.....	182,630 64	
		\$184,196 88

For Evening School of Practical Chemistry, designated by Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in appropriation for 1873.....		\$8,000 00
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		192,196 88
For Special Appropriations, balances Normal College contracts....		26,088 11
For examination and report on the subject of Warming and Ventilation, designated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, 1874.....		5,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors, in the Evening Schools, for December.....	\$20,554 00	
For salaries of teachers and janitors, in the Colored Schools, for December.....	410 00	
For wages and materials, Workshop.....	1,051 00	
For rent of School Building.....	750 00	
For supplies through Depository.	529 00	
For fuel.....	286 00	
For expenses of the Board of Education.....	324 00	
For Pianos purchased.....	1,320 00	
For Gas.....	3,232 00	
For sundries, for Normal, Evening and Colored Schools.....	254 00	
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, repairs, &c., by Trustees.....	16,216 00	44,926 00
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		268,210 99

*Eighth District, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.*

For repairs of buildings, and balances of contracts, &c., by appropriations.....	\$17,893 25	
For sundries, incidentals, gas &c., estimated.....	250 00	\$18,093 25
Total.....		<u>\$286,304 24</u>

*Statement of Special Appropriations made by the Board in 1874, for Sites, Buildings, Furniture, Heating Apparatus, and Alterations and Repairs, and the Payments, &c., on account thereof, viz:*

Liabilities on this account, transferred from 1873, per last report.....	\$20,550 62	
Appropriated since from the reserved fund of 1873, for indebtedness of 1873.....	6,879 35	\$27,429 97
Appropriated since from the reserved fund of 1874.....	444,302 78	
(Of this sum the Board rescinded (per Journal 612). \$24,400 00 (per Journal 903). 1,487 34	25,887 34	
Leaving net Appropriations for 1874 account.....	418,415 44	
Total.....		<u>445,845 41</u>
Payments on account of these appropriations, per general statement.	<div> <div>82,450 00</div> <div>25,863 73</div> <div>153,334 80</div> </div>	261,648 53
Present liabilities on appropriations		184,196 88
Of 1873.....	1,566 24	
Of 1874.....	182,630 64	
	<u>\$184,196 88</u>	<u>\$184,196 88</u>

*Statement of the fund "Reserved and Set Apart" for Special Appropriations:*

Apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.		
First estimate. ....	\$600,000	
Relinquished by this Board on revised estimate, in June. ....	150,000	
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Total for the year for Specials. ....		\$450,000 00
From this the Board appropriated viz:		
To meet deficiency in the Corporate School Apportionment. ....	208 85	
For the iron railing, lightning rods and flagging, for Normal College Building and grounds. ....	12,228 00	
For Sites, Buildings, Alterations, Repairs, Furnishing &c., as above stated. ....	418,415 44	
Total Appropriated therefrom. ....	<hr/>	430,852 29
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Balance at this date unappropriated. ....		19,147 71
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*Special Appropriations for the Eighth District:*

For a Site in 157th street, 23d Ward. ....	\$9,000 00	
For altering and furnishing Grammar School Building No. 66, 24th Ward. ....	6,040 00	
For repairs of buildings, furniture, heating apparatus, and for furnishing other buildings. Sundry amounts. ....	13,525 62	
Total	<hr/>	\$28,565 62

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Of this the Board rescinded.....	\$480 00	
Amount paid.....	9,442 37	
Transferred to Piano account...	750 00	
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Total.....		10,672 37
Liabilities to this date.....		17,893 25
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## STATEMENT OF SPECIAL ACCOUNTS, 1874:

Normal College Building Fund.			
Balance of Appropriations per last report.....	\$4,357 11		
Amount appropriated from fund of 1873, for contracts.....	\$21,500		
Amount appropriated from fund of 1874, for contracts.....	12,228	33,728 00	
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Paid by vouchers sent the Comptroller, viz:			
On contracts made prior to 1874...	9,197 00		
On contracts made in 1874.....	2,800 00		
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Balance available for existing contracts.....			26,088 11
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### *Fund for the Establishment and Organization of a Nautical School, per Act of the Legislature, passed April 24, 1873.*

Balance per last report.....	\$49,500 00	
Paid on account of appropriations therefrom, by vouchers sent the Comptroller.....	3,329 17	
Balance available.....	<hr/>	\$46,170 83
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*Public School Building Fund, Stock account :*

Balance available per last report..	\$43,198 02	
Appropriated since.....	13,322 20	
Balance available this date....	—————	<u>\$29,875 82</u>
Liabilities on contracts per last report.....	32,475 37	
Amount appropriated therefrom since for heating apparatus and for furnishing the Model School.....	13,322 20	<u>45,797 57</u>
Paid on account of appropriations, by vouchers sent the Comptroller.....		<u>45,441 42</u>
Balance due on appropriations.....		<u>\$356 15</u>

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said report be laid on the table, and entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was re-committed their report relative to amending Article 12, Section 23 of the By-Laws, stating that, upon a careful reconsideration of the subject, they have concluded to recommend that the amendment, as proposed by them, be adopted, together with the amendment proposed by Commissioner Wetmore, and accepted by the Committee (see Journal, p. 823, of 1874), so that the amendment shall read as follows :

Amend Article 12, page 99, of the Manual, Section 33, by adding to the 4th sub-division as follows :

“ Whenever the number of assistant teachers legally permitted to any school is in excess of the number of classes in said school, it shall be the duty of the Trustees of the Ward to transfer said

teachers to other schools in the Ward, where their services may be needed ; but the salaries of other teachers, as determined by the average attendance of the preceding year, according to Articles XII and XIII, shall not be increased or diminished by reason of said transfer. The Trustees of any Ward may also decline to fill vacancies in any school without prejudice as to salary to the teachers already employed in said school. But the salaries of the teachers in every school shall be fully adjusted, so as to conform to the provisions of Articles XII and XIII at the commencement of each year.

“In no Grammar School the average attendance of which is less than 500, and in no Primary School or Department the average attendance of which is less than 700, shall any teacher, except the Principal, be employed for any other purpose than regular class instruction ; nor shall more than one teacher, in addition to the Principal, be employed, except as a class teacher, in any Primary or Grammar School, except that in Grammar Schools in which the average attendance exceeds 800, and in Primary Schools or Departments having an average attendance exceeding 1,200, two teachers in addition to the Principal may be employed, besides those engaged in the regular instruction of classes ; and whenever, by reason of the closing of a school, any teachers are without employment, though drawing the salaries of their respective positions, it shall be competent for the Committee on Teachers to direct their employment in positions in which their services may be needed, in any Ward, according to arrangements to be adjusted with the Trustees of said Ward.”

“*Provided*, That nothing in this By-Law shall be construed to conflict with Section 33, sub-division 2, of the By-Laws, so far as said section gives the Committee on Teachers the power to grant additional teachers.”

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communications from the Trustees of the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards, relative to the change in the By-Laws regulating the employment of teachers, adverse to the same, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the applications of the Trustees of the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards, to modify the present law relative to the employment of additional teachers, be, and the same is hereby denied.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	} Committee on
HENRY P. WEST,	
A. P. MAN,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
	<i>By-Laws, Elections</i>
	<i>and</i>
	<i>Qualifications.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution found on pages 39 and 40 of the Journal of 1875, presented by Commissioner Dowd, relative to amending the first paragraph of Section 61 of the By-Laws of the Board, on page 125 of the Manual, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the first paragraph of Section 61 of the By-

Laws of this Board, page 125 of the Manual, be amended so as to read as follows :

“SECTION 61.—No person shall be employed as Janitor in any School Building, unless he or she shall have a certificate from the Board of Health, showing that he or she, and each member of his or her family, has been properly vaccinated ; and no person shall be employed as Janitor unless he or she have a certificate of qualification signed by the Engineer, and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.”

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, in relation to the salary claimed for Mrs. M. N. Clarke, Principal of the Female Department of Grammar School No. 36 ; accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That, as by Article 13, Section 35 of the By-Laws, the Principals of Female Departments having an average attendance in the preceding year of over three hundred pupils are entitled to an annual salary of eighteen hundred and eighty-eight dollars (\$1,888), the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward are legally authorized to approve and audit the salary of

the Principal of the Female Department of Grammar School No. 36, at that sum, for the year 1874..

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, September 16, 1874, recommending a change in Article 14, of the By-Laws, so as to provide that the teachers shall receive their annual salary in ten instalments ; adverse to the same, asking to be discharged from its further consideration, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, be discharged from the further consideration of the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to changing Article 14 of the By-Laws.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred sundry bills for work done in the schools of the late School District No. 1, Town of West Farms; and recommending for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this Board, having “audited and examined” the following claims, viz:

William W. Gardner.....	\$300 00
Benjamin F. Haskin.....	114 50
Holder & Treanor.....	34 75
St. John’s College.....	38 55
Christensen & Arctander.....	8,024 85

find the same to have been legally incurred by the Board of Education of late School District No. 1, of the Town of West Farms, prior to the first day of January, 1874, and that said bills are an “obligation” of the City, the payment of which is provided for by Section 8, of Chapter 329, of the Laws of 1874.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	} Committee	
A. P. MAN,		on By-Laws,
HENRY P. WEST,		Elections and
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend, and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner Dowd moved that the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to rehiring the premises Nos. 15 and 17 St. Mark’s place, be taken from the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Dowd, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, as found on page 138 of the Journal of this date, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Elizabeth Demarest for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 35, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Miss Elizabeth Demarest, nominated by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 35, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} Committee
EUGENE KELLY,	
WM. DOWD,	
	on
	Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring,

Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Townsend and Wetmore—15.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the matter of the appeal of Miss Henrietta Woodman “from the action of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, concerning her salary and rank,” adverse to said appeal, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of Miss Henrietta Woodman from the action of the School Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, in placing her Eighth Assistant, at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars (\$800), in the Male Department of Grammar School No. 11, be not sustained.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>	
WM. DOWD,		<i>on</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*





## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3d, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—Wm. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHIEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner BEARDSLEE—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session held on February 17th, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Nautical School, on page 137, be amended as follows: Strike out after \$2.50 per barrel "the barrels at 35 cents each," and insert after "Cabin Bread at 4 cents per lb." "the barrels at 35 cents each, if retained."

Commissioner FARR moved that page 161, last line, be amended by inserting "&c.," after the words "St. Mark's place," to make it conform to the whole matter of the report of the Committee on Buildings, as found on page 138.

Also, to amend page 131, third line from the bottom, by striking out "17" and inserting "176."

Commissioner HERRING moved that page 122 be amended by striking out the third, fourth and fifth lines, relative to the communication from a minority of the Trustees of the Fifth Ward.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended by Commissioner Wetmore and Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Thomas E. Cody, V. P. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking that certain teachers be paid for services rendered in Female Evening School No. 24.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the payment of sundry bills for merit rolls and postage.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to the closing of G. S. No. 2, on February 16th and 17th, owing to derangement of the heating apparatus.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the

absence of Miss Phebe F. Stamper, Male Evening School No. 12.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Anna Peterson, M. D. G. S. No. 16.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$129.84, for repairs to the heating apparatus of P. S. No. 17 and G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss Sarah A. Bunker, G. S. No. 7.

Miss Margaret Lawrence, G. S. No. 20.

Mrs. J. P. Reed, G. S. No. 42.

Miss Augusta Burlew, G. S. No. 42.

Miss Carrie Adams, G. S. No. 42.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking that heating apparatus be substituted for stoves in G. S. building No. 15.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for the appointment of a teacher as substitute for Mrs. Nancy Vaughan, V. P. P. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. E. T. Vance, P. of P. D. G. S. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to introduce the study of Book-keeping in the Female Department of G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an additional teacher in the Male Department of G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to the pianos in several schools in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for the heating apparatus for the new school building in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for the new building in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Albertine Cooley, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Martha Hageman, P. S. No. 20.

Emma A. Walmsley, P. S. No. 10.

Miss Pauline Rubin, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that deductions from salaries of certain teachers be allowed.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mr. Francis J. Gallagher, V. P. G. S. No. 5.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Sarah Faulds, P. D. G. S. No. 10,

Mr. George Moore, Teacher of Science, G. S. No. 10,

Miss Maria J. Noon, G. S. No. 10,

Miss Cassie Sleight, G. S. No. 10,

—and to pay the salary of Miss Ella Hill, G. S. No. 35, for two months.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Alonzo Hopper, P. G. S. No. 11.

Miss Elizabeth Graham, G. S. No. 56.

Miss Harriet S. Hawley, G. S. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Mary Wilson, F. D. G. S. No. 19, and for authority to appoint a substitute.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for permission to rehire the premises occupied by P. S. No. 9, in East Houston street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for additional leave of absence for Miss Ellen Hoyt, G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary Lambert, P. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary T. Guernsey, P. D. G. S. No. 26.

Miss Josephine M. P. Hume, P. D. G. S. No. 32.

Miss Emily E. McCallum, P. D. G. S. No. 48.

Miss Ida L. Troutt, P. S. No. 27.

Miss Emma F. Carpenter, P. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for new desks in the Grammar Department of G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for authority to purchase a carpet for the platform of G. D. G. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Elizabeth A. Conner, P. S. No. 16.

Miss Florence O'Keefe, P. S. No. 16.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating Miss Charlotte H. Stearns for V. P. P. D. No. 61.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Kate Morris, P. S. No. 44.

Miss Caroline Purdy, P. D. G. S. No. 60.

Miss Elizabeth C. Crowe, G. D. No. 61.

Miss Agnes Husted, P. S. No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Frances E. Westburn, P. D. G. S. No. 66.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

A report from the Superintendent of Truancy, relative to the organization and duties of the Agents of Truancy.

*Ordered*, That said report be placed on file.

From Wesley B. Church, resigning his office as School Trustee of the Fifth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Wilson MacDonald, relative to models for illustrating Anatomy and Physiology for use in schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.



From A. Villarroel, Esq., Corresponding Agent of the Second International Exposition of Chili, S. A., relative to said Exposition.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Prof. J. Morvillier, relative to alleged deficiencies in his salary as teacher of French in the Twenty-second Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Samuel Stern, protesting against the action of the German Press and organizations in reference to several members of the Board of Education and the study of German in the Public Schools.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the following resolution :

“ *Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they are hereby directed to ascertain and report to this Board whether any book or books are now on the List of Supplies, in the Depository, or in use in any of the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, containing compositions forbidden by the eighteenth Section of the Act relative to Common Schools of the City of New York, passed July 3d, 1851”—

stating that they have been unable to discover any book or books subject to the objections alluded to in the resolution, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
JAMES W. FARR,		
A. P. MAN,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to paying Miss Mary F. McMahon for six nights' services rendered as substitute teacher in Male Evening School No. 12, and Miss Kate A. Dunne for five nights' services rendered as substitute teacher in Female Evening School No. 31, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Miss Mary F. McMahon be paid the sum of thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$13.50) for six nights' services rendered as substitute teacher in Male Evening School No. 12; and that Miss Kate A. Dunne be paid the sum of ten dollars (\$10) for five nights' services rendered as substitute teacher in Female Evening School No. 31.

A. J. MATHEWSON, R. W. TOWNSEND, J. D. VERMILYE, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to

making changes and additions to the furniture in several rooms in Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 53, and recommending that an appropriation of two hundred dollars (\$200) be made for the purpose of making said changes; the bills to be paid in the usual manner.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, relative to alterations and additions to the heating apparatus now used in Grammar School Building No. 10—and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, and in accordance with the By-Laws of this Board, for estimates and proposals for the necessary additional heating apparatus and alterations as may be required for Grammar School Building No. 10, in said Ward; Plans and Specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and the Trustees of the Ward.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Warming</i> <i>and</i> <i>Ventilation.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking permission to advertise for proposals for steam heating apparatus for Grammar School Building No. 42, in said Ward, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Tenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to invite, in the usual manner, and according to the By-Laws, proposals for the necessary heating of Grammar School No. 42, in said Ward ; Plans and Specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward, and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
C V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Cominissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :--

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, Jan. 29,	
Feb. 3d .....	\$41 65
John Harrison, stove repairs, Jan. 9, 30.....	70 20
Henry Kiddle, postage to Feb. 23.....	25 00
William V. Peacon, engrossing Resolutions to Com'r Brown.....	50 00

J. H. Lyon, carting coal.....	\$ 6 25
John Harrison, stove repairs, Dec. 9, 22, 26...	39 01
Pay Roll for labor and compiling the census of school children to be paid from the appropri- ation for Compulsory Education, authorized by a resolution adopted Dec. 2, 1874.....	520 50
Cushing & Bardua, printing to Feb. 20.....	330 21
Cushing & Bardua, printing, Dec. 17, '74.....	11 75
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, Jan. 30....	16 50
New York <i>Times</i> , advertising, Jan. 19.....	86 80
New York <i>Evening Post</i> , printing to Jan. 23..	128 25
Dr. Win. A. Conway, surgical attendance in G. S. No. 2.....	10 00

HENRY P. WEST, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, recommending the rescinding of the resolution authorizing the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward to hire premises No. 95 Attorney street, for the use of Branch of P. D. G. S. No. 4, for a term of four years from May 1, 1875, at an annual rent of \$1,200 (see page 139 of the Journal), and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted by this Board, and found on page 139 of the Journal, authorizing the Trustees of the

**Thirteenth Ward to hire premises No. 95 Attorney street, be rescinded.**

***Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to hire the premises No. 95 Attorney street for a term of four years from May 1, 1875, at an annual rent of fourteen hundred dollars, the owner to pay taxes and water rent; and to accept the building at the termination of the lease in the condition he may find it; the building to be occupied by the Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4.**

WM. DOWD,  
C. V. LEWIS,  
WILLIAM HERRING,

} Committee  
on  
Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner WERMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as follows :

*To the Board of Education:*

The Executive Committee on Nautical School report herewith, for the consideration of the Board, sundry "rules and regulations which they deem necessary and proper for such school," and for the guidance of the Committee, as they are required to do by the act creating said school. Your Committee request that they be printed and made the special order

after the third order of business at the next stated meeting of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,	} <i>Executive Committee</i>
WM. DOWD,	
J. D. VERMILYE,	
JOS. SELIGMAN,	
	} <i>on</i>
	} <i>Nautical School.</i>

March 3, 1875.

### ARTICLE 30.—NAUTICAL SCHOOL.

SECTION 154. There shall be appointed annually by the President an Executive Committee for the Care, Government and Management of the Nautical School ; said Committee to consist of at least three members.

SECTION 155. The Nautical School, "for the education and training of pupils in the science and practice of navigation," established by authority of the Act of the Legislature, passed April 24th, 1873, shall be conducted, until otherwise ordered, on board the ship *St. Marys*, loaned to this Board by the government of the United States, for the purposes of a Nautical School.

The officers in charge of said ship, and conducting said Nautical School, shall be designated as follows: Superintendent, Executive Officer, Surgeon and Instructors, to hold their respective offices during the pleasure of this Board. The Superintendent shall have the charge and control of the school and ship, and be accountable for the management of both, and for the safe keeping of the property entrusted to his care.

The Executive Officer shall, subject to the directions of the Superintendent, have immediate charge of the crew, and shall be held responsible for the cleanliness and the good order of the ship ; he shall also instruct in the professional branches.

The Surgeon shall examine all candidates for admission to the school, have the care of the sick, and suggest to the Superintendent and the Committee such sanitary measures as he may at any time deem advisable for the health of the pupils and crew; he shall also act as Instructor of the pupils in the prescribed studies, etc., whenever required so to do.

The Instructors shall perform, under the direction of the Superintendent, such duties in this capacity as the discipline of the school may require.

The crew employed for the ship shall not exceed in number twenty of all rates, who shall, subject to the directions of the Executive Committee on Nautical Schools, be under the immediate control of the Superintendent of the Nautical School.

SECTION 156. The Executive Committee on Nautical School, shall have power to appoint, subject to the authority of the Board of Education, the officers named in Section 155 of these By-Laws, and any others requisite to properly conduct said Nautical School, whose compensation shall be fixed by this Board; and shall also have power to ship the crew of the vessel in which the Nautical School is or may be conducted, not to exceed in number twenty men (20) of all "rates", at an average expense for said crew not exceeding the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars per month in the aggregate.

Said Committee shall cause to be furnished, subject to the rules of this Board, all suitable supplies, food, fuel, etc., for the use of the pupils of said school and the crew of the ship; and the "books, apparatus, stationery, and other things necessary or expedient to enable said school to be properly and successfully conducted." The books, maps, stationery, etc., for the pupils, and the fuel, shall be obtained through the Depository and the Committee on Supplies, on the orders of the Superintendent of the school, countersigned by the Chairman of the Executive



Committee. The bills and monthly pay-rolls incurred in accordance with the By-Laws and rules of this Board shall be paid on the approval of the Committee.

SECTION 157. The Executive Committee on Nautical School may obtain by purchase such tackle, chains, boats, sails, or other material needed for the vessel upon which the Nautical School is or may be conducted, and may cause all necessary repairs to be made when the cost of such material or repairs shall not exceed at any one time the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200).

SECTION 158. The Rules for the admission of boys shall be as follows :

### RULES FOR THE ADMISSION OF BOYS.

1. Applications for admission into the New York Nautical School, on board the ship *St. Marys*, may be made by parents or guardians of boys, or by the boys themselves, in person or by letter, to the Chairman of the Executive Committee on Nautical School of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, New York City.

2. All applicants should be at least fifteen years of age; should have the written consent of their parents or guardians to their becoming pupils of the school (Form 1); and should produce written testimonials of good character, and health, and also satisfactory evidence that they have never been convicted of any crime (Form Two). (See Act of Congress, passed in 1874, "To encourage the establishment of public marine schools.")

3. The Executive Committee, or its duly appointed representatives, being satisfied that the requirements of Section 2 have been fulfilled, the applicant will be examined physically. The Examining Surgeon will be careful to recommend none but boys who give promise of good physical development. He will reject

any one who has the slightest defect in sight, hearing, or limbs, who is liable to any disease, or who is in any respect constitutionally unfit for the hardships and changes incident to a sea life.

4. Having passed the necessary physical examination, the applicant will be required to show that he is able to spell with a fair degree of accuracy, to read with tolerable correctness and ease, to write legibly, and to answer questions upon the multiplication table.

Natural intelligence and animation will receive their proper weight in cases where the applicants do not appear to have had the benefit of suitable instruction.

5. If found qualified in all respects, the applicant will receive a permit to report on board the ship (Form 4). Enclosed with the permit will be the originals of the certificates of parents or guardians, and of the report of the Examining Surgeon (Form 3), which papers are to be presented to and will be carefully preserved by the Superintendent.

6. After being received on board the ship the boy will be placed on probation for a period of two weeks, when, if no reason to the contrary shall appear, he will be admitted permanently and entered on the records of the school.

7. After admission each boy will be furnished with the necessary articles of bedding and clothing appropriate to the season, the cost of which he will be required to defray; and such of his old clothing as is not suitable for ship's wear will be given to him to send home, if possible; otherwise it will be retained and given to him upon his first vacation, or upon his final leaving of the school. All articles belonging to scholars will be marked with the owner's name.

8. The boys will be carefully instructed, under the direction

of the Superintendent of the school, in reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, geography and English grammar, and in all the duties of a seaman; they will be examined from time to time, and those who show a lack of aptitude for a sea life, or develop any physical disqualification, will be presented to their parents or guardians for withdrawal from the school.

9. After a sufficient trial the vicious or incorrigibly bad will be peremptorily dismissed.

10. The Course of Instruction will cover a period of two years, during which time every boy will be allowed such vacations as the School Committee may hereafter determine; the general character and progress of the scholar being carefully considered. At the end of the two years' term, every boy who has passed through the Course successfully will receive a certificate showing his character and qualifications, which certificate, with such aid as the Committee will always gladly render, will enable him to obtain a suitable position on board a good merchant ship.

11. Boys who have enjoyed the advantages of a good common school education, and who are otherwise sufficiently advanced, will be instructed in practical navigation and in such other branches pertaining to the higher duties of a seaman as may be found necessary and convenient.

SECTION 159. The Course of Instruction in the Nautical School shall be as follows:

#### I.—SCHOOL COURSE.

Reading, writing, spelling, English grammar, geography and arithmetic.

#### II.—SEAMANSHIP.

1. Making all knots, splices, hitches, bends, clinches, etc., used on board ship; worming, parcelling and serving ropes; turning in deadeyes, securing lanyards and rattling down rigging.

2. Learning the names of all spars, blocks, running and standing rigging, and their uses.

3. Learning the names of the different parts of a sail, loosing, furling, reefing and bending sails:

4. Rowing, sculling, and steering boats, and handling them under sail.

5. Boxing compass, steering by compass, and taking compass bearings.

6. Marking log and lead lines, heaving the lead and calling out soundings correctly.

7. Using palm and needle, sewing a seam and working an eyelet-hole.

8. Swimming.

9. The colors and arrangement of running lights.

SECTION 160. Said Committee shall report annually or as often as may be required by the Board, as to the management and success of the Nautical School, and the expense of conducting the same.

*Ordered*, That said report be laid on the table, entered in the minutes, and made the special order after the third order of business at the next meeting of the Board.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication of Judge E. L. Fancher, relative to bequests of the late Ephraim Holbrook, for Ward School Libraries, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication of Judge E. L. Fancher, relative to bequests of the late Ephraim Holbrook for Ward School Libraries, respectfully report :

That it appears that Ephraim Holbrook, who died some years ago, left a large estate, and made numerous bequests thereof, to take effect on the decease of his widow. She died at Morristown, New Jersey, in December, 1874.

One of the bequests is as follows :

“ I give, devise, and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of Common Schools of each of the several Wards of the City of New York, as they may exist at the time of the final distribution of the residue of my estate, and in which there shall then be a Ward School above the grade of Primary School, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for each such Ward School in such Ward, to be by them applied to the purchase of books for the establishment or increase of a suitable school library for each of such Ward Schools in their respective Wards.”

The Committee recommend that each Board of Trustees of each Ward apply to the executors, Hon. Erastus C. Benedict, of New York, and Frederick J. Betts, of New Haven, for its portion of the funds under the Will, to be used for the establishment or increase of a suitable school library. The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

*Resolved,* That the Trustees of the several Wards be notified that they are entitled to and should apply to the executors, Erastus C. Benedict and Frederic J. Betts, for a portion of the fund bequeathed by the late Ephraim Holbrook “ to be applied by them to the purchase of books for the establish-

ment or increase of a suitable school library for each of such Ward schools in their respective Wards," and that the Clerk of this Board be directed to prepare the proper notice to be sent to the Boards of Trustees for this purpose.

R. W. TOWNSEND, HENRY P. WEST, A. P. MAN, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a copy of the last Will and Testament of James Kelly, as follows:

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a copy of the last Will and Testament of James Kelly, respectfully report :

That, by the provisions of the Will, this Board is entitled to "one thousand dollars (\$1,000), to be securely invested by said Board, and the interest thereof to be applied by them in the procuring of Silver Medals, to be bestowed in each year upon such pupil or pupils attending the Female Departments of Grammar Schools under the jurisdiction of the said Board, that are now located in the Ninth and Sixteenth Wards, who shall be found at the time of graduation to have exhibited during the year the most correct deportment and amiability of character as pupils, and for procuring annually one silver and one bronze medal, to be bestowed at the annual commencement upon the two pupils in the Normal College of the City of New York who shall be deemed to be most proficient in the methods of teaching; said medals to be executed from the dies now in the possession of the Board of Trustees of the College of the City of New York."

The Committee recommend for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the President of this Board be, and he is hereby authorized to apply to the Executors of the Will of James Kelly for the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), bequeathed by him for the procuring of Medals, and that he be authorized to have the sum safely invested.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the reports relative to the bequests of Ephraim Holbrook and James Kelly, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications to whom was referred the resolution, (Journal, p. 39):

*“Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications report to this Board, as soon as practicable, whether or not the Board has the legal right to suspend teachers from duty for a limited period without pay, as a punishment for neglect of duty, violations of the By-Laws, or other cause, to the end that the power of removal may not be exercised, except in cases where a milder remedy would not be effective.”

and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Section 44, sub-division 6, page 117 of the Manual, be amended by adding thereto the following :

“ Any teacher found guilty of a violation of the By-Laws of this Board in regard to corporal punishment shall be liable to a penalty of forfeiture from his or her salary of not less than five nor more than thirty days' pay, or dismissal from school, as in the discretion of the Committee on Teachers may be deemed just and proper, provided the action of the Committee be approved by the Board of Education.”

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to transferring the Principal of Grammar School No. 52 to Grammar School No. 54, adverse to the same, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to transfer the Principal of Grammar School No. 52 to Grammar School No. 54, without change of salary, be, and the same is hereby denied, this Board not having the power under the By-Laws so to do.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
H. P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		



The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a communication from three of the Trustees of the Third Ward, preferring certain charges against John A. Gilmour, one of the Trustees of said Ward, stating that said charges had been withdrawn, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the matter, accompanied with the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the charges preferred against John A. Gilmour, Trustee in the Third Ward

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
H. P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to the award of medals and prizes to students in the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That hereafter no medals or prizes shall be accepted as awards for the students of the Normal College, except such as have been previously founded, or from such persons as granted prizes prior to the year 1873.

JAMES W. FARR,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
L. N. FULLER,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting a bill of the "New York Calcium Light Co.," for gas supplied the Normal College, and recommending that the same be paid, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the bill of the New York Calcium Light Co., for gas supplied the Normal College, amounting to the sum of nineteen dollars and fifty cents (\$19.50), be, and the same is approved for payment.

JAMES W. FARR,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, requesting permission to purchase apparatus and books for use in the Department of Natural Science, as may be required, to cost in the aggregate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to expend for apparatus and books, for use in the Normal College, the sum of fifteen hundred

dollars (\$1,500), the bills for the same to be reported to this Board, and paid upon its approval of them, from the funds set apart for apparatus, books, &c., for the Normal College.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i> <i>Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	
JOS. SELIGMAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Joint Committee on By-Laws and Finance, nominating Peter H. Jobes Agent of Truancy, *vice* W. W. Williams, resigned, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Peter H. Jobes, of No. 15 Lewis street, bc, and he is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Williams, to have and to hold said position at the same salary and upon the same conditions.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	} <i>Joint</i> <i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>By-Laws</i> <i>and</i> <i>Finance.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
HENRY P. WEST,	
A. P. MAN,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
J. D. VERMILYE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Miss Emily F. Hunt for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Emily F. Hunt, nominated by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, } *Committee*  
 Wm. Dowd, } *on*  
 EUGENE KELLY, } *Teachers.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*



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## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—18.

*Absent*—Commissioners BEARDSLEE, KELLY and SELIGMAN—3.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on March 3d.

Commissioner FARR moved to amend the application (page 167) of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for \$129.84, for repairs to heating apparatus, by striking out "P. S. No. 17" and inserting "P. S. No. 7."

Also, to amend the third line of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, p. 188, by striking out the word "previously" and inserting "or may be permanently," so as to read "except such as have been or may be permanently founded."

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended by Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating John G. McNary for Principal of G. S. No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary C. Butler, P. D. G. S. No. 2.

Miss Matilda D. Furness, F. D. G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Mary C. Wheelan, M. D. G. S. No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Frances A. Stevens, P. D. G. S. No. 38.

Miss Kate O'Hara, M. D. G. S. No. 38.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new building for G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new piano for G. S. No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Jacob S. Warner, Principal G. S. No. 57.

Mrs. Juliet Conkling, G. S. No. 57.

Mrs. Kate Smith, P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Kate Hebbard, P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Maggie Veitch, P. S. No. 32.

Mrs. Samuel Crosby, M. D. G. S. No. 46.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for altering and fitting-up premises No. 95 Attorney street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to releasing the premises No. 15 and 17 Third street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation for the book-closets in P. S. Building No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for new heaters in G. S. Building No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for authority to purchase four lots on the south side of Fifty-seventh street, near Tenth avenue, for a site for P. S. No. 41.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Kate Duffy, P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.



From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss C. B. Wardlaw, F. D. G. S. No. 17.  
Miss Isabella Scarlett, M. D. G. S. No. 17.  
Miss Martha Masterson, M. D. G. S. No. 17.  
Mrs. Mary McCloskey, P. D. G. S. No. 17.  
Miss Mary Parson, P. D. G. S. No. 17.  
Miss Mary E. Nunns, F. D. G. S. No. 51.  
Miss E. M. Hall, M. D. G. S. No. 58.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to hire premises for branch of P. D. G. S. No. 60, and for an appropriation to fit up the same.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to rehire the premises occupied by P. S. No. 48.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for payment of the salary of Miss Lizzie A. Webb, P. S. No. 47.

Referred to the Committee of Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, announcing the death of Miss Frances A. Westburn, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 66, and asking that her salary be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM INSPECTORS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the Annual Report of

the Inspectors of the Fifth District on the condition of the schools in said District.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the Report of the City Superintendent on the examination of the Evening Schools, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, *March 17TH*, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—As required by law, I respectfully report that during the month of February last, I have caused the following schools to be visited and examined, viz. : Grammar Schools Nos. 11, 13, 19, 23, 25, 44, 55, and 56, and Primary Schools Nos. 6, 9, and 22, including, in all, *twenty-four* departments or schools. The whole number of classes examined was 260, of which the instruction in 162 was found to have been *excellent* ; in 84, *good* ; and in 14, *fair*. The discipline of all the classes examined, except 10, was found to be commendable ; in 209, it was *excellent*. The general management in eighteen of the schools visited was found to be *excellent* ; in six, *good*.

An examination has also been held in all the Evening Schools under the care of the Board, in which 278 classes were examined ; and of these the instruction in 119 is reported as *excellent* ; in 130, *good* ; in 27, *fair* ; and in 2, *indifferent*. The discipline in 189 of these classes is reported as *excellent* ; in 77, *good* ; and in 20, *fair* or *indifferent*. The progress made by these classes, with few exceptions, was very satisfactory. The whole number of pupils examined, exclusive of those of the High School, was 6,583, of whom 4,144 were males, 2,394 females, and 45 colored pupils.

This number was, however, but a small proportion of the entire enrollment, which amounted to 22,548 ; and the largest attendance at any one time was 13,527, so that at the time of the examination the attendance had fallen off more than 50 per cent. The average attendance for the term was 9,342, of whom 5,023 received certificates for regular attendance and good conduct during the term, amounting to 49 per cent. of the average attendance of male pupils, and 65 per cent. of the female pupils.

Of the pupils belonging to these schools, 2,264 were foreigners, who attended for the purpose of acquiring a knowledge of the English language ; and of these, 1,588 were of German birth.

The whole number of pupils over 21 years of age was 2,880, and the number under 12 was only 952, of whom 298 were girls.

Of the number enrolled (22,548), only 782 were unable to read, and of these 40 were colored pupils, most of them adults ; 1,135 of the pupils admitted were unable to write.

The irregularity of attendance in these schools is the greatest obstacle to their success ; and since the Principals have no means of notifying parents or guardians of the absence of their children, there is no doubt that much truancy prevails. It would seem to be necessary that some provision should be made to prevent this evil, which so greatly impedes the success of this useful class of schools ; and I would suggest that this might probably be done through the recently-created Department of Superintendent of Truancy.

As required by law, and also in accordance with the special direction of the Board, I have caused the Evening High School to be carefully examined in all of its departments and grades. For this purpose, visits were made by the undersigned and several of his assistants, on the evening of the 2d inst., and succeeding evenings.

From the records of the school, it appears that the largest number enrolled at any one time was 1,594, and the largest attendance 1,563, which was on the 19th of October. At the time of the visit, the attendance had fallen off to 748, while the average of the preceding week was only 675.

Classes were examined in Latin, Municipal Law, Chemistry, Astronomy, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, English Grammar, Geometry, Algebra, Trigonometry, Book-Keeping, Arithmetic, Phonography, Penmanship, Drawing, German, French, and Spanish.

The instruction imparted in these branches seemed to be of an excellent character, and the progress made as good as could be expected under the circumstances.

The chief work performed by this institution seems to be in the direction of the common elementary branches, namely : arithmetic, book-keeping, penmanship, drawing, and English Grammar. This will be obvious from the fact that, while the largest attendance of students in these branches amounted in the aggregate to 1,638, the attendance in all the distinctive High School branches amounted to only about 300 ; and, at the time of the examination, the latter had fallen off to 179, as follows : in Chemistry, 15 ; Astronomy, 3 ; Natural Philosophy, 4 ; Physiology, 23 ; Algebra, 15 ; Geometry, 12 ; Trigonometry, 7 ; Political Science, 12 ; Latin, 30 ; English Literature, 8 ; Rhetoric, 9. *Total*, 179.

In many of these branches, the progress made did not extend beyond the simplest rudiments.

In Astronomy and Natural Philosophy, this was especially the case, the maximum number of students in these branches being only about 20, and of these only 7 were present at the time of the examination. I would suggest that there should be

some limit as to attendance, which should require the discontinuance of subjects, inasmuch as the expense of giving instruction to classes of *three* or *four* pupils can scarcely be justified.

The ground covered by the classes in Arithmetic was that prescribed for the *Second* and *Third* Grammar School Grades; the principal attention being given to percentage, and the business rules in general.

From the above statement, it will be obvious that more than eighty per cent. of all the students attending this school had not advanced beyond the grade usually reached by pupils of the higher grades in the ordinary evening schools, and that the distinctive high school element is comparatively small.

There can be no doubt that it is a great advantage to students of that grade to be brought together in a school of this character, and that they can, in this manner, be taught more efficiently; but it would seem to be only just and proper that some provision should be made for the same class of students in other parts of the city, who now are often intermingled with pupils of lower grades, and thus are not benefited as they should be by an attendance at the Evening School.

The large number of pupils of the Evening High School who have connected themselves with the classes in these important elementary branches, and the interest which has been so well sustained during the term, speak well for the intelligence and good sense of the pupils themselves, as well as for the efficiency of the instruction imparted.

In the Department of Modern Languages, the examination was conducted by Assistant Superintendent A. J. Schem.

The following is the number of pupils examined, namely: German (four classes), 99; French (four classes), 64; Spanish

(two classes), 34 ; total, 197. The largest attendance in these classes was 536, the number enrolled, 639 ; so that, at the time of the examination, the attendance was only about *thirty per cent.* of the enrollment. The character of instruction given in these classes, and the progress made, are reported as *excellent* in the German and Spanish, and *good* in the French.

The general management of this school, as far as it was manifested in the quiet and order that prevailed throughout all the classes, and the regularity and system which characterized the movements of the classes, appeared to be unexceptionable. The classification seems to have been based upon the wishes of the pupils ; all, of whatever grade or kind of preparation, being permitted to take their places in any of the classes, and pursue any of the studies included in the Course of Instruction.

The monthly returns received from the several Grammar and Primary Schools show that the whole number of pupils on register in these schools on the 28th ult., was 106,302, which is 13 more than at the corresponding date last year. The average attendance during February last was 94,401, which is 1,869 less than during February, 1874.

The number of days of absence of teachers during the month was 1,779, or 435 more than during the same month last year.

Respectfully,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the Report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to report, that the work done by the Agents of Truancy has been, in the main, attended with satisfactory results.

The total number of cases investigated was 534 ; of this number 393 were kept at home by sickness and other causes, leaving 141 cases of truants and non-attendants to be investigated, of which 114 have been placed at school by the several Agents, leaving 37 cases still in the hands of the Agents for further investigation. This embraces but a small part of the work actually performed by the Agents, as the same case must be looked after and followed up until the child is found to be in school. In very many cases this requires frequent visits to the parents of the child, and to the school room, as the Agents are not permitted to report any child as having returned to, or gone to school, until the facts are personally known to them.

It has been found almost impossible to obtain the correct name and residence of the children who are found “wandering about the streets,” and but little has been accomplished towards getting that class of children into the schools. They seem to be “well posted” as to the law, and either evade or refuse to answer the questions put to them. No satisfactory result can be expected with regard to this class of children until the census shall have been completed.

I respectfully suggest to the Board the propriety of re-opening the Evening Schools. It will readily be seen that unless this is done, a large number of children who are employed in stores and factories will not be able to receive fourteen weeks of schooling this year, and much hardship must result therefrom, as they will be unable to retain their places unless they have a certificate of full attendance at some school.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	184	
“ “ “ “ sickness.....	119	
“ “ “ “ poverty.....	49	
“ “ whose residence could not be found.....	41	
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Total number of cases not classed as truants.....		39
No. of children found to be truants.....	78	
“ “ “ habitual truants... ..	35	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	28	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants....		14
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Total number of cases investigated.....		53
No. of truants returned to school.....	62	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	27	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	23	
“ of destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thus en- abled to attend school.....	2	
		—
Total number placed in school.....		11

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes and so much as refers to Evening Schools be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Catholic Parochial Free Schools asking for the appointment of a Committee of Conference, relative to a plan of co-operation between said Trustees and the Board of Education, as follows :



*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

The undersigned, representatives and trustees of the Catholic Parochial Schools in this city, respectfully request your honorable Board to appoint a committee of its members to meet a similar committee from this body, to consider on what terms the said Parochial Schools may be admitted to the benefits of the Common School System, subject to its laws as regards the Course of Instruction, the methods of discipline, and the general management in such manner as may be agreed upon.

The undersigned, moreover, represent that they have approached this subject from the desire of having extended to the thirty thousand children who now attend the Parochial Schools, and who are taught gratuitously, the benefits of the Common or Free School System.

The undersigned would state that they represent more than fifty schools, most of which have large and commodious buildings, erected for school purposes, provided with almost everything necessary for free schools, and capable of affording sufficient space for from three hundred to one thousand children each.

The undersigned believe that upon the right intelligence of the people depend, in a great measure, their safety and happiness, and, indeed, the prosperity of the country ; and, that claiming to have these objects in view, they desire to find a common ground of action that will be mutually agreeable and beneficial.

The undersigned would refer to the fact that a union, somewhat similar to that here proposed, exists in many parts of this State, and in some other States ; and that the results have been so satisfactory that Protestants and Catholics alike approve and support it.

As the undersigned, and those whom they represent, have paid, and still pay their full share of the taxes that go to the support

of the Common Schools, they hope your honorable body will favorably consider their request, and take such action in respect thereto as may ultimately lead to greater harmony in a work of such vast importance as that of popular education.

New York, March 15th, 1875.

WILLIAM QUINN, *Vicar-General*.

JEREMIAH DEVLIN,	62 West 39th street.
J. W. MCKINLEY,	315 East 50th street.
JAMES LYNCH,	148 West 22d street.
F. H. CHURCHILL,	126 East 22d street.
PETER DOLAN,	202 West 24th street.
TIMOTHY O'DONOGHUE,	80 University place.
HENRY L. HOGUET,	148 West 28th street.
JAMES OLWELL,	43 West 16th street.
LEWIS J. WHITE,	3 Howard street.
JEREMIAH J. CAMPION,	20 East 10th street.
JAMES R. FLOYD,	14 Van Nest place.
E. J. O'REILLY,	Pastor of St. Mary's.
JAMES MOORE,	270 East Broadway.
ARTHUR J. DONNELLY,	Pastor 383 Ninth avenue.
JEREMIAH QUINLAN,	117 East 69th street.
D. A. MERRICK, S. J.,	Pastor of St. Fr. Xavier's church.

In behalf of the Trustees of Catholic Free Schools  
of the City of New York.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that said communication be referred to a special committee of seven, and that the President be one of the members of said committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Wetmore, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the said committee as follows:

Commissioners Wetmore, Townsend, Farr, Kelly, Vermilye, Baker, and the President.

From P. J. Vanderbilt, by his attorney, protesting against the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward in annulling his contract for mason work on the new building in Fifty-fourth street.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From N. P. Hosack, Esq., transmitting a copy of the Life of De Witt Clinton, as follows :

NEW YORK, March 8, 1875.

WM. H. NEILSON, ESQ.,

*President of the Board of Education :*

DEAR SIR—Having in my possession two copies of my late father's Memoirs of DE WITT CLINTON, it gives me the greatest pleasure, through you, as its presiding officer, to present one of them to the Board of Education, knowing how highly it appreciates the great services rendered by that distinguished statesman in promoting the cause of education, the fruits of which have so maturely ripened in this his native State.

I have the honor to be, my Dear Sir,

Very respectfully and truly yours,

N. P. HOSACK.

On motion of Commissioner PATTERSON—

*Resolved*, That the donation to the library of the Memoirs of DE WITT CLINTON, the founder of our public school system, by Dr. Hosack, be accepted and placed in the library, and that it be referred to the President to return the thanks of the Board to the donor.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

From Charles A. Berrian, applying for appointment to the Superintendent of Truancy.

Referred to Joint Committee on By-Laws, &c., and Finance

From James S. Davis, making a complaint against a teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From H. C. Jarrett, relative to physical culture, and offering prizes for the successful competitors.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

#### RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Buildings to examine into and report to this Board what changes, if any, can be made in the interest of economy among the regular employés in the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the workshop.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they are hereby empowered to have a suitable badge made for the use of the Agents of Truancy, and that the bill be paid from the appropriation for the expenses of compulsory education—said badges not to exceed in cost one dollar each.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner  
Baker.

## SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced the Special Order of Business to the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as found in the Journal of March 3, pages 177 to 183.

On motion of Commissioner WETMORE, the reading of the report was suspended.

Commissioner FARR moved that Section 157, p. 180, be amended by adding thereto the words, "subject to the approval of the Board."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Lewis, Man, Traud and West—7.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Vermilye and Wetmore—10.

Commissioner TOWNSEND requested to be excused from voting, and, on motion, was excused.

Commissioner FARR moved to amend sub-division 2, Section 158, by striking out the word "should," at the end of the first line, and inserting "must."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved to strike out Section 154, p. 178.

Commissioner JENKINS moved to amend the amendment proposed by Commissioner Patterson, by striking out the word "three," and inserting "five."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment proposed by Commissioner Jenkins, and it was decided in the affirmative, whereupon Commissioner Patterson withdrew the motion to strike out said section.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved to amend Section 156, page 179, by striking out the word "authority," in the second line, and inserting "approval."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the By-Laws for the government of the Nautical School, attached to the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

*Nays*—Commissioner Farr—1.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to charges preferred by the City Superintendent against Miss Margery Lucas, an assistant teacher in Primary School No. 4; and Miss H. J. McArthur, an assistant

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teacher in the Male Department of Grammar School No. 53, for "a violation of the By-Laws in relation to the infliction of corporal punishment," and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That a penalty of fifteen day's pay from her salary, for the month of March, be imposed upon Miss Margery Lucas, of Primary School No. 4, for a violation of Section 44 of the By-Laws of this Board.

*Resolved*, That Miss H. J. McArthur, of Male Department of Grammar School No. 53, be, and she hereby is reprimanded for a violation of Section 44 of the By-Laws of this Board.

J. M. HALSTED, } Committee  
Wm. Dowd, } on  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating Miss Charlotte E. Stearns for Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 61, adverse to said nomination, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the nomination of Miss Charlotte E. Stearns, for Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 61, by the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, be not confirmed, the attendance at said school not warranting said appointment.

J. M. HALSTED, } Committee  
Wm. Dowd, } on  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking for an appropriation of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225), for the purpose of engraving a design prepared by Mr. Frank Melville, for a Diploma for the Normal College.

JAMES W. FARR,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,

}

*Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting sundry bills, incurred under the resolution adopted by the Board, and found on pages 143 and 144 of the Journal of 1875, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills, for apparatus and chemicals supplied the Normal College be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

James W. Queen & Co.....	\$156 00
F. J. Emmerich.....	11 25
T. H. McAllister.....	29 00

JAMES W. FARR,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,

}

*Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins,



Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, relative to paying Miss Mary A. McGill for services rendered as substitute teacher in Evening School No. 21, recommending that she be paid for six nights' service; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Mary A. McGill be paid for six nights' service rendered as substitute teacher for Miss Mary L. McGrade, in November last, in Female Evening School No. 21, Fourteenth Ward.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, relative to the award of contract to D. M. Cumiskey for furnishing an awning for the ship *St. Marys*, to be used for the Nautical School, for the sum of three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$387), and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$387) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of an awning for the ship *St. Marys*, to be used

for the Nautical School; the amount to be charged to the fund provided for the organization and establishment of said school, per Sec. 3, Chap. 288, of Laws of 1873; the bills to be paid upon the approval of the Executive Committee on Nautical School.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee on Nautical School.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for steam heating apparatus, to be placed in the building in course of erection in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, in favor of granting said application, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the usual manner for proposals for placing a steam heating apparatus in the new school building in course of erection in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the commu-

nication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to a new heating apparatus for Grammar School building No. 15, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the usual manner for proposals for placing a steam heating apparatus in Grammar School building No. 15. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of one hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$126) for placing book closets in Primary School No. 33; recommending that said appropriation be made for the purposes above named.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for a new piano for the use of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 35; recommending that a new piano be purchased at a cost not to exceed three hundred and seventy-five dollars (375), the old

piano to be used, at the discretion of the Committee, in part payment.

DAVID WETMORE, } *Committee*  
 DAVID F. BAKER, } *on*  
 C. V. LEWIS, } *School Furniture.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for the new school building in course of erection in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, in favor of granting the same, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for the necessary furniture required for the new school building in course of erection in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on School Furniture.

DAVID WETMORE, } *Committee*  
 DAVID F. BAKER, } *on*  
 C. V. LEWIS, } *School Furniture.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to purchasing a lot on the north side of Seventy-fifth street, between Second and Third avenues ; stating that said lot is located 180 feet easterly from Third avenue, and is 25 feet front

and rear by one-half the block in depth, and adjoins the premises heretofore purchased for a site for Primary School No. 33, and can be purchased for the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), and the Committee ask that an appropriation of said amount be made for the above purpose.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
LAWSON N. FULLER,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the 24th Ward, asking for authority to use the building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, for school purposes, respectfully report :

That the Committee did not feel authorized to recommend that this building be used for school purposes, without having placed on record some statement as to the advisability of so using said building, on account of its unhealthy locality.

By referring to the Journal of 1874, pp. 626 and 627, will be found reports made by Dr. Osborn, Medical Director, and Dr. Loomis, Police Surgeon, adverse to occupying said building for a Police Station.

The Committee have since received a communication from the Trustees of the 24th Ward, of which the following is a copy :

*The Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—The question as to the advisability of using the building situated on Thomas avenue, Fordham, 24th Ward,

being now before you, we, as Trustees of the above Ward, would say that we deem the same suitable in every respect for school purposes, it having been built for the same, and its arrangements being very complete.

As regards the question of its healthfulness, we would state that, although built on low ground, a proper arrangement of drainage, and cementing of the cellar would, in our judgment, preclude the possibility of any evil effects from the same. We would further say that, as the children attending said school would be from the surrounding district, and only occupying the same between the hours of nine and three o'clock, they would be less liable to sickness than they now are in our present overcrowded and illy ventilated frame buildings.

MORRIS WILKINS,	} <i>Trustees</i>
M. K. HAMILTON, JR.,	
FERD MEYER,	
FRANKLIN EDSON,	
	<i>of the</i>
	<i>24th Ward.</i>

March 1st, 1875.

I concur in the above.

JOHN OSBORN, M.D.

The Committee beg leave to state that John Osborn, M. D., is the Medical Director of the Board of Health, and is the same person who signed the report found on page 626 of the Journal of 1874.

In view of the facts above set forth, your Committee recommend that the trustees be authorized to use the building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, for Public School purposes.

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and

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they hereby are authorized to use the new building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, for Public School purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
C. V. LEWIS,  
S. P. PATTERSON,

}

Committee  
on  
Buildings.

March 17th, 1875.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to have the necessary repairs made on Grammar School building No. 15; stating that said building was injured by fire on the evening of December 14, 1874, and that the repairs were made without any interruption to the exercises of the school, thereby incurring an expense of seven hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-three cents (\$730.23), which sum the Committee recommend to be appropriated in payment of the following bills :

August Naumer.....	\$88 01	
August Naumer.....	20 00	
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James Riley.....	\$55 47	
James Riley.....	20 10	
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Butcher & Butler.....		9 94
Charles Whitlock.....		18 56
Workshop....	\$452 24	
Workshop.....	65 91	518 15
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Total.....		\$730 23

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
C. V. LEWIS,  
S. P. PATTERSON,

}

Committee  
on  
Buildings.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to rehiring premises occupied by Primary School No. 9, in the church, south side of Houston street, between Eldridge and Forsyth streets, for a term of four months from April 7th, on the same terms and at the same rent as the lease now in force; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to re-lease, for a term of four months from the 7th day of April, 1875, the premises occupied by Primary School No. 9, in the church on the south side of Houston street, between Eldridge and Forsyth streets, on the same terms and at the same rent as the lease now in force.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furnishing and fitting up premises No. 95 Attorney street; and accompanied with the following resolution :

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*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for furnishing and fitting up of premises No. 95 Attorney street, to be occupied by Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

Wm. Dowd,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
David F. Baker,		
C. V. Lewis,		
S. P. Patterson,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for the use of the Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 62, in the Twenty-third Ward, stating that the Board has the "ability" to comply with said communication, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of the Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 62, in the Twenty-third Ward, at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), using the one now in use, at their discretion, in part payment—the bill to be paid on the approval of said Committee, and the amount expended charged to the appropriation made for pianos.

J. D. Vermilye,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
Wm. Dowd,		
R. W. Townsend.		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of two hundred dollars (\$200) to defray the expenses of altering furniture in Grammar School No. 53, stating that the Board has the "ability" to make an appropriation of the amount named, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing desks, and otherwise changing the furniture in the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 53, in the Nineteenth Ward—the bills to be paid on their approval by the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance

Committee, relative to the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in the matter of the award of contract for mason work for the new building to be erected in Fifty-fourth street, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted the 17th of February last (pages 142 and 143 of the Journal), is hereby amended by adding thereto as follows: "Provided, that the said Vanderbilt, after due notice that he is required to complete, within five days from the date of service, the execution of his written contract for doing the said mason work, by furnishing satisfactory sureties thereto for its faithful performance, shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, the said notice to be given by the Clerk of this Board, in its behalf, and that of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner FULLER offered the following :

Proposed amendment to the By-Laws :

On page 108,\* (Manual for 1874,) add at the foot of the page (being at the end of the amendment repealing the 4th subdivision of the original Section 35,) as follows :

"And provided further, that it shall be in the power of the Board, at its discretion, to authorize the transfer of Principals or Vice-Principals from one school to another, without diminution of salary."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner Down offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee on Buildings, in regard to the capacity of the various school buildings and class rooms, presented in May last, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c., with the request that said Committee report to the Board what additional regulations are needed in order to protect the health of the pupils of the schools from the evils of overcrowding.

Commissioner MAN offered the following :

*Whereas*, The late Ephraim Holbrook, in and by his will, bequeathed to the Board of Education of the City of New York the sum of five thousand dollars, to be applied to purposes of furnishing a library for the use of the Free Academy, his will having been made while the present College of the City of New York was known as the Free Academy, and under management of the Board of Education, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the President of the Board of Education, either in his capacity as such President, or as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the College, be authorized and requested to receive from the Executors of Mr. Holbrook's will the sum so bequeathed, in order that it may be applied to the uses intended by the Testator.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—17.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 1875.**

**STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—Wm. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner LEWIS—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session held on March 17th, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the First Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mr. Thomas E. Cody, V. P. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Anna Goodwin, V. P. P. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Lillie J. Smith, G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, withdrawing the nomination of Miss Louise Higgins, for P. of P. D. G. S. No. 44, and nominating Miss Maggie Byrnes for said position.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking that the elevators attached to G. S. buildings Nos. 23 and 24 be put in a condition of safety.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for authority to rehire the building adjoining G. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for authority to purchase an additional lot adjoining G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

John J. Sturdivant, M. D. G. S. No. 3.

Miss Phebe A. Birdsall, P. S. No. 7.

Miss Arabella McCoy, S. D. G. S. No. 41.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary G. Davis, P. D. G. S. No. 20.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for permission to hire premises Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street, occupied by P. S. No. 39.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Julia J. Pethick, P. S. No. 31.

Miss Elizabeth P. Richards, P. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Emma F. Adams, F. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Emma E. Rea, F. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Agnes Koerner, M. D. G. S. No. 22.

Miss Henrietta Walters, M. D. G. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, making the award of contract for furniture for the new Grammar School Building in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, to the National School Furniture Co., for \$10,400, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Maria L. Donahue, G. S. No. 6.

Mrs. Kate T. Smith, P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Mary DeForest, P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Mrs. Fannie C. Crosby, M. D. G. S. No. 46.

Miss Mary B. D. Locke, P. D. G. S. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that Mr. Gillespie Miller, Principal of Grammar School No. 52, be transferred to G. S. No. 54.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that the salary of Miss Agnes Milne be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.



From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Ellen A. Maguire, P. D. G. S. No. 34.

Miss Anna E. Stewart, P. S. No. 10.

Miss Emma A. Walmsley, P. S. No. 10.

Miss Pauline Rubin, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for the establishment of a Colored School in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse absence of the following teachers :

Miss Josephine Sheldon, G. S. No. 47.

Mr. Charles P. Fagnani, G. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Sarah A. Davis, M. D. G. S. No. 10.

Miss Cassie Sleight, P. D. G. S. No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Mrs. Lucy D. Terhune, P. D. G. S. No. 11.

Miss Elizabeth Graham, G. S. No. 56.

Miss Rachel Smith, P. D. G. S. No. 56.

Miss Annie E. Pierson, G. D. G. S. No. 45.

Miss Ella J. Clark, P. D. G. S. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, making the award of contracts for Furniture and heating apparatus for P. S. building No. 9, as follows :

To National School Furniture Co., for furniture..\$5,400 00  
To John Neal, for Heating Apparatus..... 5,500 00

and asking for an appropriation of \$10,900 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for a new piano for the Male Department of G. S. No. 13.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Rose A. Mullan, M. D. G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the closing of the schools on the afternoon of March 17.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss Katherine Kerr, G. S. No. 40.

Miss Sarah Cronchly, P. S. No. 28.

Mr. Thomas F. Carley, M. D. G. S. No. 40.

Miss Elizabeth A. Wilkinson, P. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for an additional teacher for P. D. G. S. No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the salary of Miss Sarah W. Hatch, G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the salary of Miss Ellen Hoyt, G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for the erection of a new building in East Seventy-fifth street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an increase of salary for Miss L. M. Johnson, Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Annie A. Murray, P. D. G. S. No. 26.

Miss Emily E. McCullum, P. D. G. S. No. 48.

Miss Harriet C. Edwards, P. D. G. S. No. 48.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary E. Feirty, F. D. G. S. No. 49.

Miss Elsie Parkhurst, F. D. G. S. No. 14.

Miss Elizabeth A. Conner, P. S. No. 16.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for authority to rehire the premises occupied by P. S. No. 41, in West Fifty-seventh street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Frances A. Makewen, P. D. G. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to hire a building in the Third avenue, opposite One Hundred and Forty-second street, for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$150.00 for desks for teachers in schools of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Hannah A. Whealen, P. D. G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for the school building at Fordham.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to complete the school building at Fordham, and to put the premises in proper condition.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for the school building at Fordham.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

## CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the City Superintendent, transmitting the complaint of Mr. W. F. Ferguson, against Miss A. K. Davies, P. D. G. S. No. 14, for violation of the By-Laws relative to corporal punishment.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

NEW YORK, April 7, 1875.

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department from March 17 to April 6, inclusive :

The total number of cases investigated by the agents was 615. Of this number 413 were kept from school by sickness, poverty and other causes, leaving 202 truants and non-attendants, of which number 118 have been returned to school, one (1) placed in the Juvenile Asylum, and two (2) committed to the Commissioners of Charities and Corrections. Appended will be found a detailed statement.

The first cases for a violation of the Compulsory Education Law came before Police Justice Kilbreth, on the 6th inst., and the children were committed by him to Randall's Island, to be restrained and detained by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Superintendent of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	181	
“ “ sickness.....	121	
“ “ poverty.....	52	
“ whose residence could not be found	59	
		—
Total number of cases not classed as truants..		413
No. of children found to be truants.....	119	
“ “ habitual truants.....	37	
“ “ non-attendants.....	46	
		—
Total number of truants and non-attendants...		202
		—
Total number of cases investigated....		615
No. of truants returned to school .....	82	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school. ....	16	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school.....	17	
“ sent to Juvenile Asylum.....	1	
“ committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction .....	2	
“ destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thus en- abled to attend school.....	3	
		—
Total number committed and placed in school...		121

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, asking for a statement of balances of appropriations, and transmitting the resolution adopted by said Board at a meeting held April 2, 1875, as follows :

*Resolved,* That each head of the City Departments and Boards be, and is hereby requested to furnish this Board with a statement of all balances or surplus amounts of appropria-

tions made to it for the year 1874, which are "found to be in excess of the amounts required or deemed to be necessary for the purposes or objects thereof," in accordance with the provisions of Section 2, of Chapter 308, Laws of 1874.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Harrison, Bradford & Co., submitting samples of steel pens.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From the New York Juvenile Guardian Society, asking to be appointed "as a suitable place of education for fifty children under the Truancy Act."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From W. W. Niles, transmitting a remonstrance of citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward, against closing the school at Williams Bridge.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Adam Weber, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools of the Seventeenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Meyer Stern, President of the Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum Society, asking for an apportionment of the School Fund according to the Act of the Legislature, passed April 21, 1874, Chapter 230.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Phelps, Doremus & Corbett, relative to furniture for schools.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From Miss Louise J. Higgins, relative to the nomination for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Miss J. Stewart, relative to the nomination for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Wm. B. Mott, relative to contract for painting, repairs, &c., in the Sixth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings, with power.

From a Jewish citizen, relative to certain proposed modifications of the School Law.

Referred to the Joint Committee of Conference on the Memorial of the Trustees of Parochial Schools.

From the Board of Health transmitting a report on the sanitary condition of G. S. No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the resolutions adopted at a meeting of German citizens, held at the Cooper Institute, relative to instruction in the German language in the Grammar Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the pupils of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 35, asking for permission to hire a hall for the Annual Reception of said school.



Commissioner HALSTED moved that the rules be suspended, and that said communication be taken up for consideration, and that the request be granted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Halsted to consider said communication, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Halsted to grant the request made in said communication.

Commissioner FARR moved that the motion be amended by adding, "Provided, that no expense shall be incurred by the pupils of said school."

Commissioner WEST moved to amend the amendment by adding, "or by the Board of Education."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment of Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment of Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Kelly, Traud and Vermilye—7.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, West and Wetmore—12.

Commissioner PATTERSON asked to be excused from voting, which was granted.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would

agree with the motion of Commissioner Halsted to grant the request of the pupils of Grammar School No. 35, and it was decided in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the resignation of John Stephenson as Trustee of Common Schools of the Twenty-first Ward, presented to the Board on January 13th, be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Trustees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they hereby are authorized to furnish a copy of the Revised Statutes of the State of New York, and the Session Laws published subsequently thereto.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the resignation, as Trustees of Common Schools, of Messrs. Wesley B. Church, of the Fifth Ward, and John Stephenson, of the Twenty-first Ward, recommending that said resignations be accepted, and the vacancies thereby created be filled by the appointment, for the Fifth Ward, of Mr. John Ham ; and for the Twenty-first Ward, of Mr. Samuel B. Van Dusen, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That John Ham, residence No. 166 Franklin street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifth (5th) Ward, *vice* Wesley B. Church, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven (1877), and that Samuel B. Van Dusen, residence No. 65 West Thirty-sixth street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-first (21st) Ward, *vice* John Stephenson, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine (1879); said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th Section of the Act of March 21st, 1873; as amended April 15th, 1873, chapters 112 and 215, of the laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE, ALBERT KLAMROTH, HENRY P. WEST, J. M. HALSTED, JAMES W. FARR, R. G. BEARDSLEE, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Joint Committee on By-Laws and Finance, accepting the resignation of M. W. Berryman as Agent of Truancy, and recommending the appointment of Mr. Theodore Reeves, who resides at No. 240 East Twenty-sixth street, for the position thus made vacant, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Mr. Theodore Reeves, residing at No. 240 East Twenty-sixth street, be, and he is hereby appointed to the position of Agent of Truancy, *vice* M. W. Berryman, resigned.

WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD, J. D. VERMILYE, HENRY P. WEST, A. P. MAN, R. W. TOWNSEND, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Joint Committee on By-Laws and Finances.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred a communication from a majority of the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating Miss Louise Higgins for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 44 ; also a communication from a minority of said Trustees, nominating Miss Mary E. Dunican for said position. In compliance with the law, twenty days having expired since said nominations, the Committee nominate for said position Miss Mary J. Dowlin, and submit for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Mary J. Dowlin, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to the position of Principal of Primary Department of Gram-

mar School No. 44, in the Fifth Ward, to date from the commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, EUGENE KELLY, WM. DOWD, J. D. VERMILYE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating John G. McNary for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 1, *vice* Oliver O'Donnell, deceased ; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That John G. McNary, nominated by the Trustees of the Fourth Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 1, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, FERDINAND TRAUD, EUGENE KELLY, WM. DOWD, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, recommending the payment of salary to James Keily, pending his appeal, and accompanied with the following preamble and resolution :

*Whereas*, It has come to the notice of the Committee on Teachers, that Mr. James Keily, an assistant teacher in Male Department of Grammar School No. 25, has not been paid his salary during the time of his appeal from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in removing him from the position of 1st Assistant in Grammar School No. 19, was pending; and also during the time of his neglect or refusal to perform the duties of the position to which he was transferred, viz: 2d Assistant in Grammar School No. 25; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That James Keily, assistant teacher in Grammar School No. 25, be paid for the time his appeal from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in removing him from Grammar School No. 19, was pending, viz.: From the 10th of November, 1874, to the date of his appointment as Second Assistant in Grammar School No. 25, the 7th of December, 1874, at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) per annum; and from the 7th of December, 1874, to the 7th day of January, 1875, the time intervening between his appointment in Grammar School No. 25, as Second Assistant, and the date from which he has since been paid, at the rate of fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400) per annum, his present salary; a total sum of two hundred and forty-

seven dollars and thirty-two cents (\$247.32) to be charged to the appropriations for teachers' salaries.

J. M. HALSTED, EUGENE KELLY, FERDINAND TRAUD, J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from Mr. H. C. Jarrett, in regard to the promotion of physical culture in the Grammar Schools, recommending that the same be rejected as being not feasible, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the proposition made by Mr. H. C. Jarrett, in regard to the promotion of physical culture in the Grammar Schools, be, and the same is hereby respectfully declined.

WILLIAM HERRING, EDWARD O. JENKINS, JAMES W. FARR, A. P. MAN, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication

from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a carpet for the platform of Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 33, adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

**Resolved**, That the application of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for a carpet to be placed on the platform of Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 33, be, and the same is hereby denied

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new piano for each of the following schools : Male Department of Grammar School No. 57, Primary Department Grammar School No. 54, and Male Department Grammar School No. 43 ; recommending the purchase of the same, at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) *each*, making a total of eleven hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$1,125); the old pianos to be used, in the discretion of the Committee, in part payment, and recommending that an appropriation of the above-mentioned sum be made.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, recommending the discontinuance of Colored School No. 6, and accompanied with the following resolutions :



*Resolved*, That Colored School No. 6 be discontinued, and the janitor attached to said school discharged, on and after the first day of May next, and that the Principal and assistant teachers now employed therein be continued under pay, at their present salaries, until the first day of July next, subject to the direction of the Committee on Colored Schools, as to their employment elsewhere, during the months of May and June.

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of School Buildings be, and he is hereby directed to take charge of the furniture and other property of the Board in the building occupied by said school, and remove them, at the proper time, to the Storehouse and Depository of the Board.

• EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID WETMORE, WM. DOWD, HENRY P. WEST, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
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Commissioner FARR moved that the resolution be amended by striking out "July 1," and inserting "September 1."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment proposed by Commissioner Farr, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

*Nays*—Commissioner Farr—1.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communi-

cation from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to paying certain teachers for services rendered in the Sixth Ward Evening Schools ; approving of said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following teachers, lately employed in Female Evening School No. 24, be paid the sum set opposite their names, viz :

Elizabeth Doyle, music teacher, 19 nights.....	\$8 44
Anastatia McHugh, substitute, 2 nights.....	4 00
Anna Cavanagh, substitute, 3 nights.....	6 00

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, J. D. VERMILYE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to paying Frank J. Coleman for ten nights' services rendered in assisting the Principal to register pupils applying for admission to the Male Evening School in said Ward ; adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to pay Frank J. Coleman for ten nights' services rendered in assisting the Principal of Male Evening School in

said Ward, in registering pupils applying for admission, be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for a new steam heating apparatus for Grammar School Building No. 18; recommending that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for placing new heating apparatus in said building, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for placing a new heating apparatus in Grammar School building No. 18. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER, LAWSON N. FULLER, WILLIAM HERRING, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new building for Grammar School No. 37; adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for a new building for Grammar School No. 37, be, and the same is hereby denied.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, to rehire the premises occupied by Primary School No. 48, for a term of one year, from April 15th, 1875, at an annual rent of five hundred dollars (\$500); approving said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises occupied by Primary School No. 48, for a term of one year, from April 15th, 1875, at a rental not to exceed five hundred dollars.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking permission to substitute the following for the application made to the Board, February 3d, 1875 :

“ That application be, and is hereby made to the Board of Education for permission to re-lease the premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, (for the use of Primary School No. 6,) for a term of (3) three years from March 1st, 1875, at an annual rent of two thousand three hundred dollars,” adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to re-hire, for a term of three years, the premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, be, and the same is hereby denied.

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be requested to negotiate for occupying the premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street for a term of four months.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		
S. P. PATTERSON,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Buildings to examine into and report to this Board what changes, if any, can be made in the interest of economy among the employees in the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Workshop,” (Journal, p. 207,) recommending that the

position of Inspector be abolished, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the position of Inspector, in the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, be abolished, to take effect on and after June 1st, 1875.

Wm. Dowd,	} Committee on Buildings.
David F. Baker,	
William Herring,	
S. P. Patterson,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending an additional appropriation of three hundred dollars (\$300) to be made from the fund of 1873, to pay the bills incurred by the Trustees of the respective Wards in 1873, in excess of the allowances made to them for the incidental expenses of the schools, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That an additional sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the School Fund of 1873, for the payment of bills incurred by the Trustees of the respective Wards during that year, for repairs and other incidental expenses of the schools, in amount over and above the allowances made for the same to said Wards respectively ; said bills to be paid upon their approval by the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Finance Committee.

J. D. Vermilye,	} Finance Committee.
Wm. Dowd,	
R. G. Beardslee,	
R. W. Townsend,	
Jos. Seligman,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*--WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, relative to an award made by them for an awning for the ship *St. Marys*, to cost three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$387), and stating that the Board has the "ability" to make the appropriation required, as submitted by the resolution attached to the Report of the Nautical School Committee, on page 212 of the Journal ; its adoption by the Board is recommended.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	
JOS. SELIGMAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as found on page 212 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—20.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred a resolution adopted May 13th, 1874, in reference to the claims of Josiah Jex, for rent of prem-

ises on the corner of Forty-second street and Broadway, formerly occupied by Primary School No. 17, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of eight hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$875) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from any unexpended moneys apportioned for Public Instruction, for the purpose of effecting a settlement of the claim of Josiah Jex, for rent alleged by him to be due from this Board, for the occupation in the year 1869, by Primary School No. 17, of the premises on the northeast corner of Forty-second street and Broadway ; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to pay the sum hereby appropriated to the said Jex, upon his executing a full and legal discharge from any and all claims instituted by him against this Board, and the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the occupation of the said premises by said school.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of one hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$126), for book closets for the use of Primary School No. 33, stating that the Board has the “ ability ”



to make the appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$126) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing and fitting up book closets in the building used by Primary School No. 33, in the Nineteenth Ward ; the bills to be paid upon their approval by the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Ward.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, requesting an appropriation of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225), for the expense of engraving on stone a design for a diploma drawn by Mr. F. Melville ; and stating that the Board has the “ability” to appropriate the amount named, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to expend the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225), for engraving upon stone a design for a diploma for the use of the Normal College ; the bill to be paid on the approval of said Committee, and the amount

charged to the appropriation for apparatus, etc., for the Normal College.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending the purchase, for the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), the lot of ground 25x100 feet, or one half the block adjoining the plot lately purchased on East 75th street, and stating that the Board has the “financial ability” to appropriate the sum named, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of the lot of ground on the north side of East Seventy-fifth street, beginning at a point one hundred and eighty feet east from Third avenue, and running thence from said point eastwardly twenty-five feet ; the said lot being twenty-five feet front and rear by one hundred feet in depth ; and that the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay from the funds “apportioned for Public Instruction” the said sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for the premises as described herein, to be used for Public School purposes,

upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with a certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardlee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, requesting that authority be granted for the payment of sundry bills incurred by them for postage on communications sent to the parents of pupils, advising them of the absence of their children, amounting to twenty-seven dollars and fourteen cents (\$27.14), and for bulletin frames forty dollars (\$40), in all sixty-seven dollars and fourteen cents (\$67.14), recommending that these bills be returned to the Trustees as usual in their character, and unnecessarily incurred, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the bills incurred by the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, for postage stamps and for bulletin boards, amounting to sixty-seven dollars and fourteen cents (\$67.14) presented for payment, be not paid ; and that said bills be respect-

fully returned to said Trustees as unusual in their character and unnecessarily incurred.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings in relation to the expenditure made for repairing, under the supervision of the Superintendent of School Buildings, the damage by fire to Grammar School Building No. 15, in the Eleventh Ward, recommending that the amount of such expenditure, seven hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-three cents (\$730.23) be appropriated, stating that the Board has the "ability" to authorize the payment of the bills so incurred, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-three cents (\$730.23) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bills incurred in repairing the damage done by fire, in December last, to Grammar School Building No. 15, in the Eleventh Ward ; the bills to be paid upon the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Committee on Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commission-

ers Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following-named bills be, and they are hereby approved for payment :

Ralph L. Anderton, badges for Agents of Truancy	\$8 00
L. D. Kiernan, incidentals to March 27.....	94 79
Cushing & Bardua, printing to March 26.....	170 17
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising to March 11.....	185 20
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery to March 10..	147 90
<i>Evening Post</i> , advertising to February 25.....	142 80
<i>N. Y. School Journal and Educational News</i> , sub- scription for 1875.....	2 50
<i>Evening Post</i> , printing to March 1 .....	88 25
<i>Evening Post</i> , printing to April 1.....	120 00
Cushing & Bardua, Printing to April 5.....	1,392 42

HENRY P. WEST, S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FARR, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners KELLY and PATTERSON—2.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received a communication from Commissioner Patterson, asking to be excused for absence, on account of sickness, and said excuse was granted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session of April 7th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for heating apparatus and alteration of stairway and class-rooms in G. S. building No. 12.

So much as relates to heating apparatus referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and so much as refers to alterations of the building, referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Margaret Roche, G. S. No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for a new piano for the Male Department of G. S. No. 20.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to have repairs and painting to the walls of P. S. building No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$625.61, for work on P. S. building No. 35.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to hire an additional building for P. D. of G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a carpet and furniture for the Principal's room in P. D. G. S. No. 26.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating John B. Hays as substitute teacher in Evening School No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss C. B. Wardlaw, G. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss E. A. McGean, G. D. G. S. No. 17.

Mrs. M. McCloskey, P. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss M. Parsons, P. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss F. Makewen, P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Miss K. Duffy, P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Miss Emma F. Files, P. S. No. 17.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for authority to rehire the premises occupied by P. S. No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating Miss Susan M. Jordan for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 66, *vice* Miss Frances E. Westburn, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

#### CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, *April 21st*, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the requirements of law, I have the honor to report, that, during the month of March last, the following schools were visited and examined: Grammar Schools Nos. 1, 7, 8, 9, 15, 17, 22, 28, 36, 38 and 51, and Primary Schools Nos. 2, 3, 5, 12, 14, 23, 25, 26, 31, 39, 40 and 41, and the Model School connected with the Female Normal College; in all, 40 schools or departments.

In these schools, 393 classes were carefully examined; and in



184 of them the instruction was found to have been *excellent*; in 172, *good*; in 35, *fair*; and in 2, *indifferent*.

The discipline in all the classes examined seemed to be commendable, except in 19, of which 16 were reported as *fair*, and 3 *indifferent*.

The *general management* of the schools visited was found to be commendable in most respects; in 29 it was reported as excellent.

The janitor of Grammar School No. 17 appears to be either negligent or incompetent, as the building and out-door premises, in many respects, are in such a condition of uncleanness as to interfere with the comfort and imperil the health of the children.

The health of the pupils of Grammar School No. 51, in West 44th street, and Primary School No. 27, in West 37th street, is also imperiled by the filthy condition of the streets in the front of the buildings. As the season advances the evil will become one of a very serious nature, and, consequently, should be at once removed.

The monthly returns of the Principals for March show that the number of pupils enrolled on the 31st of that month was 107,360 which is 1,116 more than at the corresponding date last year. The average attendance for the month was 94,940, which is 1,231 less than for March, 1874.

The total number of days of absences of teachers during the month, was 2,134, which is an increase of 518 days over last year. Of this, however, 573 days are due to the prolonged absence of 29 teachers, who, in consequence of severe illness, were excused, and their places supplied by substitutes.

The required schedule of absenteeism of pupils is hereto annexed.

Respectfully,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

On motion of Commissioner Dowd—

*Ordered,* That so much of said report as relates to the absence of teachers be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows:

NEW YORK, *April* 21st, 1875.

*To the Board of Education:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department from the 7th to the 20th of April, inclusive:

The total number of cases investigated by the agents was 521. Of this number 334 were kept at home by sickness, poverty and other causes, leaving 187 truants and non-attendants, of which number 139 have been returned, and 12 withdrawn from school.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Superintendent of Truancy.*

## SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	149	
“ “ sickness.....	104	
“ “ poverty.....	26	
“ whose residence could not be found	55	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		334
No. of children found to be truants.....	99	
“ “ habitual truants.....	46	
“ “ non-attendants.....	42	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants...		187
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Total number of cases investigated....		521
No. of truants returned to school.....	89	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school. ....	31	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school.....	17	
“ “ withdrawn from school.....	12	
“ destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thus en- abled to attend school.....	2	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.....		151

*Ordered,* That said report be placed on file, and printed in full in the Journal.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Presbytery of New York, transmitting resolutions relative to the proposal to incorporate the Parochial Schools with the Public Schools.

Referred to the Joint Committee of Conference.

From the Ninth Assembly District organization of Political Reform, relative to proposed changes in the Public School system.

Referred to the Joint Committee on Conference.

From the Nursery and Child's Hospital, asking for an apportionment of school money for said institution.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From citizens of the Tenth Ward, asking for a new building for Grammar School No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Ginn Brothers, asking that Miss Hall's Geography be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From J. Frank Wright, Principal of Grammar School No. 7, and from Trustees Gorsch and Dennerlein, relative to salary of Miss E. V. H. Mansell, Grammar School No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner MAN offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they are hereby empowered to make such arrangements with the Police Commissioners of the City and

County of New York as they may deem most expedient for the transfer of the police officers, acting as Truant Officers, to the control of the Board of Education, as far as may be consistent with law.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced that copies of the Annual Report of the Board for the year 1873 are required to answer correspondents applying for the same, and requested the members of the Board who have copies which they can donate for this purpose, to notify the Clerk to that effect.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner KLAMROTH, from the Committee on Annual Report, presented the draft of the Annual Report of the Board of Education for the year ending December 31, 1874, and moved that two thousand copies thereof be printed for distribution.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Farr, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, and Wetmore—14.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Herring, and West—5.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to paying Miss

Sarah W. Hatch for services rendered in Primary School No. 28, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Sarah W. Hatch, an Assistant Teacher in Primary School No. 28, be paid for services rendered as an Assistant Teacher in Primary School No. 28, from November 1, 1874, to April 1, 1875, at the rate of five hundred dollars (\$500) per annum.

J. M. HALSTED, J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Miss Guilietta R. Kiersted for Principal of Primary School No. 27, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Guilietta R. Kiersted, nominated by the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 27, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite license, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—18.

*Nay*—Commissioner Herring—1

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to purchase of a new piano for use of Male Department Grammar School No. 13, recommending that a new piano be purchased for the use of said department, and asking an appropriation of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) for the above purpose.

DAVID WETMORE, EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS.	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward asking an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) to purchase teachers' desks for use in Grammar Schools Nos. 60 and 61, stating that they deem the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) sufficient to purchase the desks asked for, and recommending that an appropriation of that amount be made.

DAVID WETMORE, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for the new school building at Fordham, recommending that the authority asked for be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for the necessary furniture required for the new school building at Fordham. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on School Furniture.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DOWN presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to rehiring premises corner 7th avenue and 49th street, occupied by Primary School No. 40, at an annual rent of forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500) and taxes, stating that the rent now paid is forty-two hundred and fifty dollars (\$4,250) and taxes, recommending that the Trustees be authorized to rehire the premises for a term of one year, on the same conditions as the lease now in force, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire, for a term of one year from May 1, 1875, the premises corner of 7th avenue and



49th street, occupied by Primary School No. 40, at an annual rent of four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$4,250) and taxes.

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *Committee*  
C. V. LEWIS, } *on*  
 } *Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to rehiring premises No. 32 City Hall place, occupied by Branch of Grammar School No. 23, for the sum of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars and taxes, stating that, inasmuch as the property is exempt from taxation, the building can be leased for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Sixth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire, for a term of one year, from May 1, 1875, the premises No. 32 City Hall place, occupied by Branch of Grammar School No. 23, at an annual rent of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500).

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *Committee*  
C. V. LEWIS, } *on*  
 } *Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Third Ward, asking that certain alterations be made in Primary School No. 37, stating that, on account of the small allowance made to the Trustees of the Third Ward for incidental expenses during the year 1875, they caused the Superintendent of School Buildings to have the alterations made, and thereby caused an expenditure of twenty-five dollars (\$25), and recommending that an appropriation of that amount be made in payment of the bill so incurred.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward relative to hiring premises to be used for an additional branch to the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, stating that the premises proposed to be hired is situated on the west side of Third avenue, about sixty-four feet north of 141st street; the size of the building is 25 x 40 feet, two stories, basement and attic, and can be leased for the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) per annum, recommending that said premises be hired, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they are hereby authorized to hire for a term of one year from May 1, 1875, at a rent of six hundred dollars, the following described premises, to be used as a branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, viz :

West side of Third avenue, about sixty-four (64) feet north of 141st street, said building being 25 x 40 feet, two stories, basement and attic.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS,	} Committee on Buildings.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to rehiring the premises Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street, occupied by Primary School No. 39, for a term of two years, from May 1st, 1875, at a rent of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per annum, recommending that the said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises known as Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street, now occupied by Primary School No. 39, for a term of two years from May 1st, 1875, at an annual rent of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500),

the owner to pay the taxes and water rent and the Trustees to make the necessary repairs, and at the expiration of the lease to close up the communication between the two buildings.

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
C. V. LEWIS, } *Committee  
on  
Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward asking for authority to advertise for proposals to place the building and grounds of the schoolhouse at Fordham in proper condition for occupancy, recommending that said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals to place the building and grounds of the new school building at Fordham in proper condition for occupancy. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
C. V. LEWIS, } *Committee  
on  
Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for rebuilding Grammar School house No. 7, recommending that said application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Tenth Ward for authority to advertise for proposals to rebuild Grammar School house No. 7, be, and the same is hereby denied.

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Tenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals to alter and enlarge Grammar School Building No. 7. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward, and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS,	} Committee on Buildings.
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Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that the report be recommit-  
ted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion offered by Commissioner Klamroth, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to releasing premises No. 516 West 52d street, occupied by Primary School No. 41, for a term of two years, at an annual rent of eighteen hundred dollars, recommending that said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire, for a term of two years, with a privilege of a renewal of one year, the premises occupied by Primary School No. 41, and known as No. 516 West 52d street, at an annual rent of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800).

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *Committee*  
C. V. LEWIS, } *on*  
                              *Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for the new school building at Fordham, recommending that the said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for the necessary heating of the new School Building at Fordham. Plans and specifications to be pre-

pared by the Engineer of this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER,	} <i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation</i>
C. V. LEWIS,	
WILLIAM HERRING,	
LAWSON N. FULLER,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for an appropriation of thirty-two thousand dollars, to purchase a site in West 57th street, near 10th avenue, stating that they subsequently received from the Trustees a communication asking an appropriation of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) to purchase the following described site: four lots of ground on the north side of West 56th street, commencing 425 feet west of 9th avenue, size of lot 100 x 100 feet. The Committee considers this more economical and desirable than those first applied for, and recommending that an appropriation of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) be made to purchase the site in West 56th street.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	} <i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
LAWSON N. FULLER,	
WILLIAM HERRING,	

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved that said report be referred to a Special Committee, of which Commissioner Baker should be chairman.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners Baker, Townsend, Halsted, Man and Klamroth, as said Committee.

Commissioner FARR presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the payment of sundry bills for apparatus and chemicals supplied the Normal College, incurred under the provisions of the resolution found on pages 143 and 144 of the Journal of 1875, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following bills for apparatus and chemicals supplied the Normal College be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

E. & H. T. Anthony & Co.....	\$158 12
E. & H. T. Anthony & Co.....	61 12
E. B. Benjamin.....	37 38
George G. Rockwood.....	24 00
James W. Queen & Co.....	99 00
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	\$379 62

JAMES W. FARR, R. W. TOWNSEND, J. M. HALSTED, ALBERT KLAMROTH, LAWSON N. FULLER,	} Committee on Normal Schools.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from William B. Mott relative to last payment, on contract made in 1873, for repairing schools in the Sixth Ward, recommending that a deduction of fifty dollars (\$50) be made from the last payment due, and accompanied with the following resolution :



*Resolved*, That a deduction of fifty dollars (\$50) be made from the last instalment due William B. Mott on his contract for repairs, painting, etc., Grammar School No. 24 and Primary Schools Nos. 2 and 8, in the Sixth Ward, made in 1873, and that the balance of the last instalment be paid, provided he deliver, at the workshop, No. 174 Mulberry street, all the material to be used in erecting the stairway in Primary School building No. 2, which is called for by the specifications attached to said contract.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardlee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, adverse to discontinuing Primary School No. 47, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board deem it inexpedient to discontinue Primary School No. 47, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, at the present time.

R. W. TOWNSEND, A. P. MAN, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the amendment to the By-Laws proposed by Commissioner Fuller, and found on page 222 of the Journal, recommending that said amendment be adopted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws be amended as follows :

On page 108,\* (Manual for 1874,) add, at the foot of the page, (being at the end of the amendment repealing the 4th sub-division of the original section 35,) as follows :

“And provided further, that it shall be in the power of the Board, at its discretion, to authorize the transfer of Principals or Vice-Principals from one school to another, without diminution of salary.”

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Commissioner HERRING called for the previous question.

The PRESIDENT put the question, “Shall the main question now be put?” and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore--19.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from Myer Stern, President of the Hebrew Benevolent (and Orphan Asylum) Society," requesting that the school of said society participate in the apportionment of school moneys, advising the Board that under Chap. 230, Laws of 1874, the school attached to said Society is legally entitled to participate in the school fund, provided by Section 15 of the Act of 1851, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the "Hebrew Benevolent Society," of the City of New York, is hereby declared to be entitled to participate in the distribution of the Common School Fund, provided by Section 15, of the Act of 1851 ; subject to the same regulations and restrictions as by law are imposed upon the Common Schools of New York.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the payment of sundry bills for work done in the schools of the late School District No. 1, Town of West Farms, recommending that the same be audited, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board, having audited and examined the following claims, viz :

William McDade.....	\$10 75
P. McDermott.....	66 25
Joseph S. Wood.....	150 00
Crewett Bros.....	79 08
C. B. Schuyler.....	25 48

find the same to have been legally incurred by the Board of Education of late School District No. 1, of the Town of West Farms, prior to the first day of January, 1874, and that the said bills are an “ obligation ” of the City, the payment of which is provided for by Section 8, of Chapter 329, of the Laws of 1874.

R. W. TOWNSEND, R. G. BEARDSLEE, HENRY P. WEST, A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to purchasing a copy of the Revised Statutes of the State of New York, and the Session Laws published subsequent thereto, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to purchase the entire edition of the Statutes of the State of New York, eight volumes in all, together with the

Index prepared by Judge Edmonds, and the subsequent Session Laws not embraced in that revision.

R. W. TOWNSEND, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking an appropriation of two hundred and seventy-six dollars and forty-three cents (\$276.43) to pay sundry bills incurred for repairs to buildings, stating that said bills had been reduced to two hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$272.87), recommending that an appropriation of that amount be made, the Board having the “ability,” and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$272.87) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1874 for the payment of the following bills incurred by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for repairs to buildings, stoves, etc., in said Ward, viz.:

Elford Dickerman, Oct. 31, 1874, stoves, etc...	\$101	60
Thos. Falvey, Dec. 23, '74, Carp'r work at No. 6.	46	10
“ “ “ “ No. 37.	53	72
“ “ “ “ No. 42.	71	45

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said bills to be paid upon their approval by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*--WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture recommending an appropriation of eleven hundred and twenty-five dollars to purchase new pianos for use in Grammar Schools Nos. 43, 54 and 57, stating that the Board has the "ability" to appropriate said amount, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase three pianos for the use of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 43, the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 54, and the Male Department of Grammar School No. 57, at an expense not exceeding eleven hundred and twenty-five dollars in the aggregate, the old pianos now in said schools to be used in part payment, at the discretion of the Committee; the sum expended to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) to purchase a new piano for the use of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 35, stating that the Board has the “ability” to make said appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 35, Fifteenth Ward, at an expense not exceeding the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), the old piano now in the school to be applied in part payment, at the discretion of said Committee ; the amount to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking an appropriation of one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and eighty-four cents, in payment of bill of J. Elder, Jr., for repairs to heating apparatus in Grammar School building No. 3, and Primary School building No. 7, recommending that an appropriation of that amount be made, the Board having the "ability," and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and eighty-four cents (\$129.84) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bills of J. Elder, Jr., Steam Heating Works, for repairs to the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 3 and Primary School No. 7, in the Ninth Ward, the bills to be paid upon the approval of said Trustees and the Engineer of the Board.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportion-



ment on the 2d inst., and transmitted to this Board on the 3d inst., viz :

*Resolved*, That each head of the City Departments and Boards be, and is hereby requested to furnish this Board with a statement of all balances or surplus amounts of appropriations made to it, for the year 1874, which are found to be in excess of the amounts required or deemed to be necessary for the purposes or objects thereof; in accordance with the provisions of Section 2d, of Chapter 308, Laws of 1874.

Respectfully report : That the balance of School moneys in the hands of the Comptroller on the 1st of January last, subject to the requirements of this Board for its indebtedness incurred previous to that date, was \$472,939.00, as represented in the Financial Statement for 1874.

This balance includes the unappropriated moneys and also covers the indebtedness of 1873 for appropriations made from the funds of that year. The entire indebtedness of the Board, on appropriations, general and specific, made prior to that date, to be paid from this balance, was \$286,304.00 ; deducting this from the balance above stated, leaves the sum of \$186,635.00 of the funds of 1873 and 1874 unappropriated at that date ; of this sum your Committee are of opinion that \$130,000.00 may be considered as a "surplus amount of appropriations" for the year 1874, and in excess of the amounts required for the purposes or objects thereof, and present for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000.00) of the moneys apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the purposes of public instruction, for the year 1874, "is found to be in excess of the amounts required or deemed necessary for the purposes or objects thereof," and that said sum is hereby relinquished to said Board of Estimate and Apportionment,

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for the purposes named in Section 2, Chap. 308, of the Laws of 1874.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,  
WM. DOWD,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,  
R. W. TOWNSEND,  
JOS. SELIGMAN,

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*Finance  
Committee.*

April 21, 1875.

Commissioner Dowd moved that said report be adopted, and entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, making the award of contracts for furniture and heating apparatus for Primary School Building No. 9, in First street, as follows:

Furniture—National School Furniture Co.....	\$5,400 00
Heating apparatus—John Neal.....	5,500 00
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	\$10,900

stating that the Board has the “ability” to make an appropriation of that amount, and accompanied with the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the sum of five thousand four hundred dollars (\$5,400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the contract awarded by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to the National School Furniture Co., for the furniture required for the new building, Primary School No. 9; the said contract to be accompanied by a Bond of indemnity, to be given by the said National School Furniture Co., in such sum and with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, indemnifying the Board of Education

and the City of New York against any and all claims that may be made against this Board and the City of New York by any person or persons, for damages arising from alleged infringement of patents by the use of the furniture required to be furnished by said company. No part of said appropriation shall be paid until the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with the National School Furniture Company together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contract, nor until said contract shall have been approved by the Finance Committee, as to the form thereof and the amount and time of the payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the contract awarded by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to John Neal for the heating apparatus required for the new building, Primary School No. 9; no part of said appropriation to be paid until the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward shall have duly filed the contract for the work to be entered into by them, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contract, nor until said contract shall have been approved by the Finance Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and the time of the payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, the Engineer of the Board, and the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the

certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to award of contract for furniture required for new school building in 128th street to National School Furniture Company for the sum of ten thousand four hundred dollars (\$10,400), stating that the Board has the “ability” to make an appropriation of that sum, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of ten thousand four hundred dollars (\$10,400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the contract awarded by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to the National School Furniture Company for the furniture required for the new school building erected on 128th street ; the said contract to be accompanied by a bond of indemnity, to be given by said National School Furniture Company, in such sum and with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, indemnifying the Board of Education and the City of New York against any and all claims that may be made by any person or persons against this Board and the City of New York, for

damages arising from alleged infringements of patents by the use of the furniture required to be furnished by said Company; no part of said appropriation shall be paid until the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with the National School Furniture Company, together with such security for the faithful performance of said contract as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until said contract shall have been approved by the said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of the payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of the said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the apportionment of school moneys, as follows:

*To the Board of Education :*

The Finance Committee report herewith the annual apportionment of that portion of the School Fund which, by the Act of 3d July, 1851, section 15, is to be distributed to the several schools named in said act and in the several other acts authorizing their participation in the School Fund.

The total average attendance of pupils in the schools entitled to participate in this apportionment for 1875, as set forth in the returns made by the Principals under oath, ending the 1st of October, 1874, and upon which average the apportionment is based, is ninety-five thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven dollars (\$95,997), and the sum to be apportioned is as follows :

1st. An amount equal to the State quota.....	\$543,406 14
2d. One twentieth of one per cent. of \$1,154,029,- 176.00, the taxable property of the City and County of New York.....	\$577,014 58
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Total, one million one hundred and twenty thousand four hundred and twenty dollars and seventy-two cents ..... \$1,120,420 72  
or about \$11.67½ per scholar.

The details of the attendance in the Ward Schools by Wards, and in the Normal, Colored and Corporate Schools, and the amounts apportioned to each are presented in the Schedules annexed.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, confirming this apportionment of the moneys provided for by the Legislature for this purpose, and in compliance with the requirements of the act named above :

*Resolved,* That the school moneys for the year 1875 be apportioned to the several schools entitled to participate therein,

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according to the annexed schedule, and that a copy thereof be duly authenticated and filed with the Chamberlain of the city.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,  
WM. DOWD,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,  
R. W. TOWNSEND,  
JOS SELIGMAN,

} *Finance  
Committee.*

April 21st, 1875.

## SCHEDULE

*Showing the statute average attendance by Wards, and the amount apportioned in each Ward, and to the Normal and Colored Schools, and to the several Corporate Schools.*

WARDS.	SCHOOLS IN EACH WARD.	Average.	Amount Apportioned.
First.....	Grammar School No. 29, and Primary Schools Nos. 15 and 38.....	725	\$8,461 78
Second.....	Primary School No. 34.....	132	1,540 62
Third .....	Primary School No. 37 .....	72	840 34
Fourth.....	Grammar School No. 1, and Primary Schools Nos. 12 and 14.....	1,493	17,425 44
Fifth.....	Grammar School No. 44, and Primary School No. 11.....	1,481	17,285 39
Sixth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 23 and 24, and Primary Schools Nos. 2 and 8.....	1,896	22,129 03
Seventh.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 2, 12 and 31, and Primary School No. 36.....	3,276	38,235 60
Eighth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 8 and 38, and Primary School No. 25.....	2,230	26,027 08
Ninth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 3, 16 and 41, and Primary Schools Nos. 7, 13, 18 and 24.	4,715	55,030 59
Tenth .....	Grammar Schools Nos. 7, 20 and 42, and Primary School No. 1.....	5,913	69,013 16
Eleventh .....	Grammar Schools Nos. 15, 22 and 36, and Primary Schools Nos. 3, 5, 31 and 39..	6,281	73,308 04
Twelfth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 6, 37, 39, 43, 46, 52, 54 and 57, and Primary Schools Nos. 19, 30, 32, 38 and 42.....	5,901	68,873 10
Thirteenth....	Grammar Schools Nos. 4 and 34, and Primary Schools Nos. 10 and 20.....	3,810	44,468 04
Fourteenth....	Grammar Schools Nos. 5, 21 and 30.....	1,558	18,184 09
Fifteenth. ....	Grammar Schools, Nos. 10, 35 and 47 .....	3,276	38,235 40
Sixteenth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 11, 45, 55 and 56...	3,778	44,094 46
Seventeenth...	Grammar Schools Nos. 13, 19 and 25, and Primary Schools Nos. 6, 9, 22, 23 and 26 .....	6,455	75,339 07



WARD.	SCHOOLS IN EACH WARD.	Average.	Amount Apportioned.
Eighteenth....	Grammar Schools Nos. 40 and 50, and Primary Schools Nos. 4, 28 and 29..	3,396	\$39,636 07
Nineteenth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 18, 27, 53 and 59, and Primary Schools Nos. 21 and 33	6,670	77,848 23
Twentieth.....	Grammar School Nos. 26, 32, 33 and 48, and Primary School No. 27.....	5,521	64,437 96
Twenty-first....	Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49, and Primary School No. 16.....	4,652	54,295 49
Twenty-second	Grammar Schools Nos. 9, 17, 28, 51 and 58, and Primary Schools Nos. 17, 40 and 41.....	7,010	81,816 70
Twenty-third...	Grammar Schools Nos. 60, 61 and 62, and Primary Schools Nos. 43 and 44.....	2,306	26,914 31
Twenty-fourth.	Grammar Schools Nos. 63, 64, 65, 66 and 67, and Primary Schools Nos. 45, 46, 47 and 48.....	1,445	16,865 22
		83,992	980,305 21
	Normal Schools (White).....	2,412	28,151 49
	Normal Schools (Colored).....	8	93 37
	Colored Schools.....	755	8,811 93
	Totals.....	87,167	1,017,362 00

## CORPORATE SCHOOLS.

NAME.	Average.	Amount Apportioned.
The New York Orphan Asylum School. Act passed 3d July, 1851, page 36 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	155	\$1,809 07
The Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum School. Act passed 3d July, 1851, page 36 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	1,009	12,826 90
The Schools of the two Half-Orphan Asylums. Act passed 3d July, 1851, page 37 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	233	2,719 44
The School of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents in the City of New York. Amended Act of 1851, July, page 37 Manual Board of Ed. ...	787	9,185 41
The School for the Leake and Watts Orphan House. Act of 3d July, 1851, page 37 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	109	1,272 19
The School of the Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans. Act of 3d July, 1851, page 37 Manual of Bd. of Ed. ....	249	2,906 19
The Schools of the American Female Guardian Society. Act passed 3d July, 1851, page 37 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	1,328	15,499 66
The Schools established and maintained by the New York Juvenile Asylum. Act passed June, 1851, page 57 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	612	7,142 91
House of Reception of New York Juvenile Delinquents. Act passed June, 1851, page 57 Manual Bd. of Ed. ..	91	1,062 10
The School established and maintained by the Ladies' Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Act passed April, 1855, page 56 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	370	4,318 43
The School established and maintained by the Five Points House of Industry. Act passed April, 1855, page 56 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	419	4,890 33
The Industrial Schools established and maintained under the charge of the Children's Aid Society. Act passed April, 1862, page 56 Manual Bd. of Ed. ....	3,118	36,391 52
The Schools established and maintained by the New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled. Chapter 835 of Laws, 1872. ....	184	2,147 54
The School of the Hebrew Benevolent Society. Chapter 230, Laws of 1874. ....	76	887 03
	8,830	\$103,058 72

## RECAPITULATION.

NAME.	Average.	Amount Apportioned.
Ward Schools.....	83,992	980,305 21
Colored Schools.....	755	8,811 93
Normal Schools (White).....	2,412	28,151 49
Normal Schools (Colored) .....	8	93 37
Corporate School.....	8,830	103,058 72
Totals.....	95,997	\$1,120,420 72

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, West and Wetmore—17.

*Nay*—Commissioner Traud—1.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Joint Committee on Teachers and Course of Study and School Books, adverse to consolidating the Grammar and Primary Departments of Grammar School No. 33, and transferring the Principal of the Primary Department to Primary School No. 27, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board deem it inexpedient to attempt the experiment of consolidating the Grammar and Primary De-

partments of Grammar School No. 33, and transferring the Principal of the Primary Department to Primary School No. 27.

J. M. HALSTED, JAMES W. FARR, J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, ALBERT KIAMROTH, A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Joint Committee on Teachers and Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on the Course of Study, etc., to whom was referred the report on the study of the German and French languages in the Public Schools, found on pages 869-878 of the Journal of 1874; also a substitute for said report, found on pages 131 and 132 of the Journal of 1875, beg leave to report :

That they have given the subject here referred to a most careful and analytic examination in several meetings held by the Committee for that purpose; and they submit, as the result of their deliberations, the following amendments to the By-Laws for the consideration of the Board.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM HERRING, EDWARD O. JENKINS, JAMES W. FARR,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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Amend Section 39 so as to read as follows :

**SEC. 39.** *Teachers of vocal music, drawing, French or German shall be classified as special teachers. No salary paid to a teacher of vocal music in a Grammar or Primary School shall exceed one hundred and twenty dollars a year for any school, or at the rate of ninety dollars a year for each hour per week that the teacher may be employed ; and the salary paid to a teacher of drawing shall not exceed a rate of ninety dollars a year for each hour per week that the teacher may be so employed, nor an aggregate sum of three hundred dollars per year for any school.*

Amend Section 76 so as to read as follows :

**SEC 76.** *Whenever the parents or guardians of at least thirty pupils attending a Grammar Department shall desire the introduction of French or German, the Trustees of the Ward shall introduce the study of such language in said Department, but no child shall be compelled to study German or French contrary to the wishes of its parents or guardians, expressed either personally or in writing, and whenever the average attendance of pupils engaged in the study of French or German, in any department, shall fall below fifteen for the period of three months, such study shall thereafter be discontinued in said department.*

**SEC. 77.** Strike out the whole of Section 77, and substitute therefor the following :

**SEC. 77.** *Whenever the study of French or German shall be introduced into any Grammar School, the teachers who may be employed to teach either of these languages may receive a salary not to exceed the average allowed for assistants, male or female, in the Grammar Schools, but no teacher shall receive such average salary unless his or her whole time shall be employed in such teaching ; and in all cases where a less time is so employed the amount of salary to be paid shall be proportionate to the amount of time actually occupied in teaching.*

**SEC. 78.** Amend Section 78 so as to read as follows :

**SEC. 78.** *Whenever the study of French or German shall have been introduced as above, it shall be pursued according to the course of studies in French or German which has been or may hereafter be prescribed by the Board, and pupils pursuing the study of either of these languages shall be required to show the proficiency assigned to each grade before being promoted to a higher grade in the same language.*

Strike out subdivision one of this Section.

**Sec. 79.** Amend Section 79 so as to read as follows :

**SEC. 79.** *The City Superintendent, under the direction of the Committee on Teachers, shall be authorized to licence teachers specially to give instruction in French or German. The number of Recitations in French or German in each class pursuing the study of either of these languages shall be four of twenty-five minutes each per*

*week and no pupil shall be permitted to pursue the study of more than one of these languages at the same time.*

**SEC. 81. COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE.**

**EIGHTH GRADE.**

1. The *Alphabet*, both printed and script, with simple exercises in *reading* and *writing*, by dictation and by copying.
2. *Colloquial Exercises* on objects seen at school and at home.

**SEVENTH GRADE.**

1. Exercises in *reading* and *writing*, by dictation and by copying.
2. *Translation*, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including subjects and predicates of various forms, with instruction in the use of the article and the present tense of verbs, including the auxiliary verb *sein*.
3. *Colloquial Exercises* on parts of the human body, on clothing and on food.

**SIXTH GRADE.**

1. *Reading* and *writing* by dictation and by copying continued.
2. *Translation*, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including subject, predicate, object and simple adjuncts, with instruction in the gender, number and case of nouns and pronominal adjectives, the present and imperfect tenses of weak verbs, and of the verbs *sein* and *haben*.
3. *Grammar*. Declension of the articles and of nouns (strong, weak, mixed).
4. *Colloquial Exercises* on miscellaneous topics, including the geography of the United States as taught in this grade.

**FIFTH GRADE.**

1. *Reading* and *writing* continued, as in the preceding grades.
2. *Translation*, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including phrases and the use of the preposition; also of easy compound sentences, with instruction in the declension and comparison of adjectives, the declension of pronouns and the conjugations of the verbs *sein* and *haben*, and of the active voice of weak verbs.

3. *Grammar.* Declension of adjectives (strong, weak, mixed) and pronouns. Conjugation of *sein*, *haben* and the active voice of weak verbs.

4. *Colloquial Exercises*, on miscellaneous topics, including the geography of South America and Europe, as taught in this grade.

#### FOURTH GRADE.

1. *Reading* and *writing* continued as in the preceding grades.

2. *Translation*, oral and written, of simple and compound sentences in English and German, affording practice in the use of *werden* and the passive voice. Also of model auxiliary and strong verbs.

3. *Grammar.* Conjugation of the passive voice, of *werden* and of the model auxiliaries *können*, *mögen*, etc.

4. *Colloquial Exercises*, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States, as taught in this grade.

#### THIRD GRADE.

1. *Reading* from a *German reader*, with translation into English; *writing*, by dictation.

2. *Translation*, oral and written, of simple and compound sentences, affording practice in the use of strong and irregular verbs, and of conjunctions, with instruction in the transposed order of sentences. Nouns, pronouns and adjectives reviewed and completed.

3. *Grammar.* Conjugation of strong and irregular verbs.

4. *Colloquial Exercises*, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

#### SECOND GRADE.

1. *Reading* and *Translation* from the *German reader* continued; *writing*, by dictation.

2. *Translation*, oral and written, affording practice in the impersonal, reflexive and compound verbs, with instruction in the use of the forms of the verb, especially in the use of the subjunctive and conditional moods.

3. *Grammar*. Conjugation of impersonal, reflexive and compound verbs.
4. *German Composition* commenced.
5. *Colloquial Exercises*, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

#### FIRST GRADE.

1. *Reading and Translation* from the *German reader* continued.
2. *Translation*, oral and written, of miscellaneous passages in German and English.
3. *Grammar* reviewed and completed. Rules of government and arrangement of words.
4. *German Composition* continued, including epistolary forms.
5. *Colloquial Exercises* and conversations on promiscuous topics, including General History as taught in this grade.

On motion of Commissioner MAN—

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the Minutes, and made the special order after the third order of business at the next meeting of the Board.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for supplying the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board with coal and wood, for the period of one year, in accordance with Article 28, Section 128, of the By-Laws.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.



Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That so much of the report of the City Superintendent as relates to the Janitor of Grammar School No. 17 be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

**MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1875.**

**SPECIAL SESSION.**

*Present*—Wm. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST and WETMORE—18.

*Absent*—Commissioners KELLY and SELIGMAN—2.

President NEILSON addressed the Board as follows :

GENTLEMEN—I have called you together this afternoon to announce the death of our associate Commissioner, Mr. JAMES W. FARR, and to invite you to take such action as you may deem appropriate to this sad occasion.

Mr. Farr has for many years been a zealous worker in the cause of Public Education, and it is no disparagement to the services of any man to say that there has been no more interested, industrious and devoted friend of our school system than he proved himself to be. I can recall to mind but one instance of his absence from a meeting of this Board, and then the interest of our schools demanded his presence elsewhere ; and I shall never again direct the roll to be called but that I shall involuntarily turn my eyes towards his place, expecting to find him in his seat, until recollection shall force upon my understanding the painful truth,

I made Mr. Farr's acquaintance in the year 1859, when he became a member of the Board of Education, to which he was subsequently several times re-elected. After retiring from the Board, in 1867, he became a Trustee in the 9th Ward, which office he continued to hold until he was invited by Mayor Have-meyer to resume his place as a Commissioner.

Since my acquaintance with Mr. Farr, I have been frequently in consultation with him about the business of our schools, and since his return to the Board our consultations have been of almost daily occurrence.

I was entirely unprepared for the news of his death. No member of this Board seemed to my mind to enjoy a better promise of length of days. But in a moment he has been removed from among us, and his place here shall henceforth "know him no more forever."

His death is to us a solemn admonition, diligently, faithfully and with all our might to do of work and duty what our hands find to do, "before the night cometh in which no man can work."

Commissioner HERRING offered for adoption the following preamble and resolutions :

*Whereas*, It has pleased the Almighty Disposer of events to remove from our midst our colleague and co-worker, JAMES W. FARR, distinguished for a faithful service of many years in behalf of the cause of Public Education in this city; therefore

*Resolved*, That we have received the intelligence of the sudden decease of Commissioner Farr with emotions of profound sorrow and regret, and that we feel that by this sad event the Board of Education has been deprived of one of its most useful and earnest members, and the Common Schools of this city have lost a most devoted friend and supporter.

*Resolved*, That we tender to the relatives and friends of the deceased our deepest sympathy in the sad and afflictive bereavement which they have sustained.

*Resolved*, That the members of this Board will wear the customary badge of mourning for the deceased, and that this hall be draped for thirty days.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be entered in full upon the minutes of the Board, and that a copy of the same be suitably engrossed, properly authenticated, and transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Commissioner HERRING, in offering the above resolutions, addressed the Board as follows :

Mr. PRESIDENT—I feel that no words that I may add to those which you have fittingly expressed concerning our late friend can more clearly set out Mr. Farr's invaluable services as an educator. Let me say of him, as a man, that he was possessed of social qualities of the highest order. When he had committed himself to a purpose he adhered to that purpose with staid fidelity. One of his distinguished characteristics was his love for school-work, and a desire for close and friendly relationship with teacher and child, and he labored always earnestly to secure the confidence of the parents of pupils, in which he succeeded to a remarkable degree in his Ward and vicinity. His faithful labors in the Female Normal School, and subsequently his zealous devotions to the interests of the Normal College, merit the warmest encomium.

In the deliberations of this Board he never indulged in any asperities of language, always conceiving his duty quickly and performing it promptly, and without mistrust of his fellow-members.

My personal recollections of Mr. Farr date back some twenty years, during which period I have learned to love him for his many virtues. There was a charm about his manner that endeared him to a large circle of friends, and in his social pleasures his buoyant spirit made the happy moments radiant with joy.

Our long acquaintance had recently seemed to be strengthening into a deeper and closer friendship, and I now recall in the near past a gathering where our late friend was present, and in his happiest moments I did not then think that so soon the silver cord was to be loosed and the golden bowl broken.

Commissioner MAN then arose and said :

MR. PRESIDENT—I cannot permit this occasion to pass without adding my testimony to the merits of our deceased associate. The startling announcement of the death of Mr. Farr fell upon our ears in the stillness of the Sabbath morning, like a knell for the dead. It was indeed a solemn warning to us all.

It had been my good fortune to have known Mr. Farr almost from youth—certainly many years anterior to the time when our esteemed President informs us that he first became acquainted with him, and I had constant occasions of intercourse with him. I knew and valued him always as a man of the strictest integrity and honor, and he manifested this character in all his transactions, public and private.

I am not aware that he ever held any public office of emolument to himself, but he was one of the most earnest of our associates in all matters relating to the schools. He brought to this work the same gratuitous degree of intelligence, zeal and industry that other men manifest in the conduct of their own personal affairs. He had been so long connected with our school system that his mind and habits had become trained to think and do whatever was best for the schools under our charge. It will,

indeed, be difficult to find another citizen who will adequately fill his place. He is thus suddenly cut off in the midst of his usefulness, and I unite, sincerely and sorrowfully, with those who have already spoken in deploring our own loss and that of the public, and in condolence with the family of our deceased associate.

Commissioner WEST spoke as follows :

MR. PRESIDENT—I desire to add a few parting words, as it were, to one with whom I have been associated, officially and otherwise, for the past fifteen years.

During that period I have invariably found Commissioner James W. Farr a consistent, faithful and confiding associate and friend. In his official capacity as Commissioner and Trustee he has proved, as most of you know, an active and efficient public officer, ignoring, as a rule, politics in his intercourse with teachers and others connected with our Public Schools.

In 1863 Mr. Farr was appointed by the then President of the United States one of the chief mustering officers for this city, Provost-Marshal of the Sixth Congressional District. He performed the delicate, arduous and responsible duties of that position with fidelity to the Government and the public.

I saw him on Saturday morning last in this hall apparently in good health ; conversed with him on that occasion in connection with Commissioner Baker, in regard to school matters. On the following morning I was appalled on seeing his death announced in the public journals. This sudden and unexpected death should remind us of the uncertainty of life, and the necessity of holding ourselves in readiness whenever the king of terrors shall summon us hence.

Commissioner MATHEWSON said :

MR. PRESIDENT—I was not present when the resolutions offered by Commissioner Herring were read, but knowing the object of our meeting to-day is information enough regarding their purport.

It may not be inappropriate on my part to say, at this time, that my first acquaintance with our deceased associate, James W. Farr, was when I was a school boy in his ward. Afterwards I had the pleasure of being associated with him as a member of the Ninth Ward Board of School Trustees, and latterly as a member of this Board of Education.

I must say, sir, that although I have often differed with him regarding the policy to be pursued for the accomplishment of certain ends in our educational system, yet I believe that the motives which prompted him in his actions were for the benefit and welfare of our great system of public education. Hence it is that I re-affirm that, in the decease of our late associate, our schools have lost a warm friend, a staunch and steadfast advocate, and one whose death will be keenly felt by all who take an interest in the Public Schools of this city.

Commissioner FULLER said :

MR. PRESIDENT—It was not my privilege to have a long acquaintance with our deceased friend and associate, but I have learned enough of his character to appreciate his worth as a man and as a school officer. He was a devoted husband, a kind and loving father, and a true friend to education. In his death the children of our Public Schools have lost a faithful friend ; the teachers an excellent adviser and a reliable school officer. By his genial manner he always attracted children, and never repelled them. He was one to whom teachers could look for safe counsel, an associate whose example is worthy of emulation, and a man worthy of all confidence and esteem.

What is life? It is truly like the mist that appeareth for a little while upon the mountain top, and then vanisheth away. Let us heed this admonition, "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions presented by Commissioner Herring, and it was unanimously decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner JENKINS offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be requested to prepare suitable memorial ceremonies, to be held at the Normal College, on the —— day of —— in relation to the decease of our late co-laborer, Commissioner James W. Farr.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board be closed on Tuesday, the 27th inst., as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Commissioner James W. Farr.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST moved that the President be authorized to close the Office of the Board of Education on the day of the funeral.



The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner TOWNSEND—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session held on April 21st, and the Special Session held on April 26th.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved to amend the minutes of April 21st, in the report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, on page 274, by adding after the word “size of lot 100x 100 feet,” the words, “excavated 10 feet below the curb.”

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved to amend the minutes of April 21, page 264, in the report of the Committee on Annual Report, by adding, at the commencement of the fourth line of said report, the words “its adoption and.”

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session held on April 21, as amended by Commissioners Patterson and Klamroth, and the minutes of the Special Session held April 26, and it was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE  
The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communi-  
cation from Honorable William H. Wickham, Mayor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }  
NEW YORK, April 28, 1875. }

*the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with  
Chapter 112, of the Laws of 1873, I have this day appointed, as  
Commissioner of Common Schools of the City of New York,  
WILLIAM WOOD, in place of James W. Farr, deceased, and for  
the unexpired term of said Farr, which terminates on the 31st  
of December, 1876.

Yours respectfully,

WM. H. WICKHAM,  
*Mayor.*

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the  
minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT announced the appointment of Commissioner  
Wood to the vacancies occasioned by the death of Commissioner  
Farr, on the Committees on Supplies, Course of Study and  
School Books, Normal Schools, Nomination of Trustees, Salaries  
and Economy ; and also the appointment of Commissioner  
Wood to the vacancy on the Special Committee to Confer with  
the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Parochial Schools.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communi-  
cations :

From the Trustees of the First Ward, asking to excuse the  
absence of Thomas E. Cody, V. P. M. D. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking the Board to reconsider their action in refusing to pay sundry bills for postage stamps and bulletin frames, and requesting to be heard before the Finance Committee.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Ella F. Graham, P. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for an interview with the appropriate Committee, in relation to contemplated repairs and alterations to the school buildings in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for authority to purchase two additional lots adjoining Grammar School No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to alterations, &c., in Grammar School building No. 16.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to excuse the absence of Miss Fannie W. Vidal, P. S. No. 13.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, making the award of contract for heating apparatus for Grammar School No. 42 to John Elder Jr., for the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven dollars, (\$7,987,) and asking an appropriation of that amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

he Trustees of the Tenth Ward, relative to the heating  
s in Grammar School House No. 20.

red to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

n the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for authority to  
ise for proposals for re-building Grammar School House

ferred to the Committee on Buildings.

rom the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the  
ence of the following teachers :

Miss Margaret T. Johnson, P. S. No. 1.

Miss Ellen L. Chapman, G. S. No. 7.

Miss Rebecca C. Woodward, G. S. No. 20.

Miss Jemima P. Reed, G. S. No. 42.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, making the award  
of contract for heating apparatus in Grammar School building  
No. 15 to John Elder Jr., for the sum of six thousand seven  
hundred and thirty-four dollars, (\$6,734,) and asking for an ap-  
propriation of that amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, requesting the Board  
to take action on their former communication relative to the  
removal of the teacher of music from certain schools in the  
Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, making the award  
contract for heating apparatus in the new School House in 1  
street, to Gillis' & Geoghegan, for the sum of seven thou

eight hundred and twenty-five dollars, (\$7,825,) and asking an appropriation of that amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to purchasing one or both of two lots adjoining the west side of Grammar School No. 37, for the sum of seven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (7,250) each.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to rehiring premises 124th street, between 5th and 6th avenues, occupied by Primary School No. 38, for one year, from March 1.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for the establishment of a Male Evening School, to be held in Grammar School Building No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, to excuse the absence of Miss Ella M. Bruen, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers.

Miss Anna Augusta Knapp, P. D. G. S. No. 10.

Miss Mary A. Lynch, P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Louise Oliver, G. D. G. S. No. 47.

Miss Eliza A. Camp, G. D. G. S. No. 47.

Mr. Charles Gates, M. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Sarah A. Davis, M. D. G. S. No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward,  
contract for alterations, &c., to heating apparatus in Grammar  
School house No. 10, to John Elder, Jr., for the sum of two  
thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse  
the absence of Miss Ellen J. Clark, V. P. P. D. G. S. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to re-  
leasing premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by Pri-  
mary School No. 6.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to excuse the ab-  
sence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary Walker, P. S. No. 28.

Miss Kittie A. Newell, G. S. No. 40.

Miss Mary E. Donohue, P. S. No. 29.

Miss Ellen Hoyt, G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for per-  
mission to use the large hall of the Normal College building for  
the purpose of holding a joint reception of the Female Depart-  
ments of the Schools in the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Normal Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, making the  
award of contract for heating apparatus, for Grammar School  
No. 18, to the Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company,  
for the sum of six thousand two hundred and twelve dollars  
(\$6,212), and asking for an appropriation of that amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that the janitress of Primary School No. 33 be allowed to vacate the rooms which she occupies, and that said rooms be used as play rooms.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Miss Josephine M. P. Hume, for Vice-Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Gertrude J. Chamberlin, G. D. G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Julia K. Dunphy, P. S. No. 16.

Miss Mary E. Fierty, G. S. No. 49.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking an appropriation of eighty dollars (\$80.00) to pay bill incurred in repairing and tuning pianos.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From citizens of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that a school for Colored Children be organized east of the Bowery.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.



From the Superintendent of School Buildings, relative to building adjoining Grammar School No. 29, in the First Ward.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Clerk of the Board, submitting the responses received from the several Boards of School Trustees, in answer to the resolution adopted on the 3d of February, 1875, requesting the School Trustees of the several Wards to report to this Board whether there are or not more school buildings in their respective Wards than are necessary for the proper accommodation of the children attending said schools, and whether or not a consolidation of any of the schools can be effected without detriment to said schools.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy.

From Philip Ketterer, resigning his position as Trustee of Common Schools for the Eighth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From James W. Porter, for authority to deliver lectures on the Arctic Regions, before the pupils of the several schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From John Neal, protesting against the award of contract to Gillis & Geoghegan, made by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for heating apparatus for new school in 123th street

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Mrs. Martha Beatty, relative to her children, detained under the Compulsory Education Act, on Randall's Island.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

Protest and memorial from several citizens, relative to the proposal to incorporate the Catholic Parochial Schools with the Public School system.

Referred to the Committee on Conference.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY,  
New York, May 5th, 1875.

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department from April 21st to May 4th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the agents was 566.

Of this number 408 were kept at home by sickness, poverty and other causes, leaving 158 truants and non-attendants, of which number 123 have been placed in school, 2 committed by police justices to the Commissioners of Charities and Corrections, and 33 withdrawn from school.

Of those reported as having been withdrawn from school, a number have been placed by their parents in various reformatory asylums. This result is in a great measure due to the influence and advice of the Agents of Truancy, and to the persistent manner in which they have followed up the cases.

This mode of disposing of cases of truancy I invariably encourage, deeming it far better than to have recourse to the Courts.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Supt. of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	190	
“ “ “ sickness.....	113	
“ “ “ poverty.....	45	
“ “ whose residence could not be found..	60	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		408
No. of children found to be truants.....	69	
“ “ “ habitual truants.....	49	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	31	
“ cases not disposed of.....	9	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants		158
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Total number of cases investigated.....		566
No. of truants returned to school.....	61	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	32	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	19	
“ withdrawn from school.....	33	
“ children committed to Randall's Island by police justices.....	2	
“ destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thus en- abled to attend school.....	11	
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Total number of cases disposed of.....		158

*Ordered,* That said report be placed on file, and entered in full in the minutes.

## RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the office of the Board of Education be closed at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon from the 8th day of May to the 1st day of November, 1875.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they are hereby authorized to select a suitable Clerk to the Superintendent of Truancy at an annual salary of —— dollars, to be paid from the fund set apart for enforcing the Compulsory Education Act, such selection and salary to be paid to be reported to this Board for approval.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

## SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Board would now proceed to consider the Special Order, being "the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, with regard to the study of German and French in the Public Schools." Journal, pp. 295-299.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board go into Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of discussing the Special Order as announced by the President.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Board then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, the President having called Commissioner Dowd to the chair.

The CHAIRMAN having stated the Special Order of Business—

Commissioner HERRING moved that the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., with regard to the study of German and French in the Public Schools, be read through.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The report having been read by the Clerk to Section 81, as printed in the Journal of April 21, pp. 295-299—

Commissioner HERRING moved to omit the reading of the Course of Instruction in German, as it was the same as published in 1874.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the Committee rise and report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Commissioner HERRING moved to amend by adding to said motion, "and that it be recommended to the Board that the report be made the Special Order after the third order of business at the next stated meeting."

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN then put the question whether the Committee would adopt the motion as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Committee then rose, and the President resumed the chair.

The CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE reported that "the Committee of the Whole, having had under consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., with regard to the study of German and French in the Public Schools, made some progress in the same, and directed that fact be reported to the Board, and leave be asked to sit again, and that said report be made a special order after the third order of business at the next stated meeting of the Board."

The PRESIDENT put the question, whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee of the Whole, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from Adam Weber, resigning his position as a Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth Ward, recommending that said resignation be accepted, and the vacancy thereby created be filled by the appointment of John N. Reynolds; and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That John N. Reynolds, residence No. 94 First street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth Ward, *vice* Adam Weber, resigned; to hold office until the first day of January (1876,) eighteen hundred and seventy-six, said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the Act of March 21st, 1873, as amend-

ed April 15th, 1873, chapters 112 and 215, of the laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE, J. M. HALSTED, HENRY P. WEST, EUGENE KELLY, C. V. LEWIS, L. N. FULLER, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a minority report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, with reference to the appointment of a Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth Ward, in the place of Adam Weber, resigned, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Alfred Erbe, lawyer, residence No. 55 Second avenue, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth Ward, *vice* Adam Weber, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, (1876;) said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th Section of the Act of March 21st, 1873, as amended April 15th, 1873, chapters 112 and 215, of the laws of 1873.

ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Minority of Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the report of the Committee be recommitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that the report presented by the minority be substituted in place of that presented by the majority.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Klamroth, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Klamroth, Seligman and Traud—3.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report as presented by the majority of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

*Nays*—Commissioners Klamroth and Traud—2.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, relative to the proposed apportionment of funds to the Hebrew Benevolent Society School; informing the Board that said school was discontinued last September, and that the pay roll of the Corporate Schools has been audited, excepting therefrom the amount claimed for said school for the reason that the fund is intended to be applied during the year 1875, and not retrospectively.

HENRY P. WEST,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		
S. P. PATTERSON,		

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred a communication from



the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to transfer Mr. Gillespie Miller from the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 52, to Grammar School No. 54, without diminution of salary; recommending that said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That under the provisions of the amended By-Law found on page 277 of the Journal, the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to transfer Mr. Gillespie Miller from the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 52, to Grammar School No. 54, without diminution of salary.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Richard H. Boyce for the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 52, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Richard H. Boyce, nominated by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 52, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent,) the requisite quali-

fications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, FERDINAND TRAUD, WM. DOWD, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating Miss Susan M. Jordan for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 66, *vice* Miss Frances E. Westburn, deceased, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Miss Susan M. Jordan, nominated by the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 66, *vice* Miss Frances E. Westburn, deceased, she having, (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, FERDINAND TRAUD, WM. DOWD, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners, Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Trand, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to paying Mrs. L. M. Johnson, Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 27, the maximum salary ; adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward to pay Mrs. L. M. Johnson, Principal Primary Department of Grammar School No. 27, the maximum salary, be, and the same is hereby denied, as contrary to law.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
WM. DOWD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved :

James Nugent, plumbing, January 23.....	\$ 4 85
John Harrison, stovework, March and April.....	14 85
James H. Parker, masonwork, March 20.....	7 30
L. D. Kiernan, postage, &c., to April 26.....	52 74
Banks & Bros., law books, Res. April 9, 1875.....	59 53
Leander Lent, plumbing at Board of Education.....	71 64

HENRY P. WEST,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
S. P. PATTERSON,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows : •

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred a communication from Prof. J. Morvillier, in relation to a small sum due him for services rendered as a special teacher of the French language in Grammar School No. 17 ; stating that Prof. Morvillier was employed in said school in 1873 at the rate of \$200 per annum, the time devoted by him in teaching entitling him to this sum ; subsequently the Trustees increased the time to four hours a week, and the salary in proportion, to the rate of \$360 per annum. The By-Law regulating the salary of Special Teachers, which was adopted November, 1872, limits the compensation of such to \$300 per annum ; it was by direction of this By-Law that the difference was deducted from the Professor's salary, and it is this difference that he requests the Board to pay to him ; and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
J. D. VERMILYE.		

Commissioner HALSTED moved that the By-Laws be suspended, that Professor Morvillier be paid, and the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. •

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the negative, two thirds not voting in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Seligman, Traud and Wood—11. •

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Jenkins, Mathewson, West and Wetmore—6.

Commissioner HALSTED moved that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to removing the circular or winding stairway in the front entrance to Grammar School No. 12 ; recommending that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for removing said stairway, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for the removal of the circular or winding stairway in the front entrance to Grammar School No. 12 ; and for the enlargement of the class-rooms adjoining said stairway. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

Wm. Dowd,	} Committee on Buildings.
David F. Baker,	
C. V. Lewis,	
S. P. Patterson,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN moved that the vote taken on suspending the By-Laws, in relation to paying Prof. J. Morvillier for services rendered in Grammar School No. 17, in the Twenty-second Ward, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN moved that the report be laid on the table until the next meeting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending an appropriation of twenty-five dollars for defraying the expense incurred for repairs to Primary School Building No. 37, in the Third Ward; stating that the Board has the "ability" to make the appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of bills incurred for repairs to Primary School Building No. 37, in the Third Ward; to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of said Ward and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly,

Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) for the purchase of teachers' desks to be used in Grammar Schools Nos. 60 and 61, in the Twenty-third Ward; stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to appropriate said sum, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for procuring teachers' desks to be used in Grammar Schools Nos. 60 and 61, in the Twenty-third Ward; the bills to be paid on their approval by the Trustees of said Ward and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report from the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for the use of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 13, in the Seventeenth Ward; stating that the Board has the ability to comply with their recommendation, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 13, in Seventeenth Ward, at an expense not exceeding three hundred and seventy-five dollars, (\$375,) the old piano to be used in part payment, at the discretion of the Committee; the amount paid to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Special Committee appointed to investigate the charges made by Commissioner Baker, relative to the purchase of lots on West Fifty-sixth street for school purposes, and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Special Committee appointed with reference to the purchase of the lots in West Fifty-sixth street and the statement of Commissioner Baker made relative thereto, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Special Committee on Lot on West 56th street.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
A. P. MAN,		



The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved that the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, relative to purchasing a site in West Fifty-sixth street, Journal, p. 274, be taken up and referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner DOWD moved that the resolution adopted and found on page 267 of the Journal, in reference to the rehiring of the premises occupied by Primary School No. 40, be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DOWD offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire, for a term of one year from May 1, 1875, the premises corner of Seventh avenue and Forty-ninth street, occupied by Primary School No. 40, at an annual rent of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500), and the taxes that may be assessed thereon during said term.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly,

Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner Dowd moved that the resolution adopted and found on page 268 of the Journal, in reference to the re-hiring of the premises No. 32 City Hall place, be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd offered for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Sixth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire, for the term of one year from May 1, 1875, the premises No. 32, City Hall place, occupied as a Branch of Grammar School No. 23, at an annual rent of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), and the taxes and assessments that may be assessed thereon during said term.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*



**WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 1875.**

STATED SESSION.

*Present*—Wm. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner SELIGMAN—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the Stated Session of May 5, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Second Ward, asking for a new boiler for P. S. building No. 34, and for repairs and painting.

So much as refers to the boiler referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and so much as refers to repairs, &c., referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, submitting a statement of the repairs necessary in the school buildings of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Julia J. Pethick, P. S. No. 31.

Henrietta Walters, G. S. No. 36.

Maggie A. Foster, P. D. G. S. No. 36.

Annie T. Moran, P. D. No. 15.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Juliet Clannon for V. P. G. S. No. 47, *vice* Miss Josephine Shelden, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$190.00, to pay the bill of Frank G. Green, for repairs to heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 55.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to grading the salaries of Teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for leave of absence for the following teachers :

Miss Kate T. O'Keefe, F. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss Sarah J. Thornton, P. D. G. S. No. 17.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Kate T. O'Keefe, F. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss A. G. Kidd, F. D. G. S. No. 17.

Miss L. A. Bamman, P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking the co-operation of the Board of Education in preventing the erection of an abattoir in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for the purchase of a piano for P. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for the re-seating of part of the branch of P. D. G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for additional Primary School accommodations in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to appoint a janitress for Branch P. D. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for new boiler and radiators for G. S. No. 65.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

#### CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent, for the month of April, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, May 19, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the requirements of law, I have the honor to report, that during the month of April last,

examinations have been held in thirty-nine schools, situated in Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Twelfth, Fifteenth and Twenty-second Wards.

In these schools, 408 classes were examined in all the different branches prescribed for their respective grades, and the instruction was found to have been efficient and correct in all except eighteen, in which, to a greater or less extent, it was defective.

The order and discipline in all of these classes, except 24, appeared to be commendable.

The general management in all the schools examined was also commendable. In twenty-eight of these it was excellent.

The monthly returns from the Principals show that on the 30th ult. the whole number of pupils enrolled in the Primary and Grammar Schools was 108,505, exclusive of the Model School; and that the average attendance during the month was 97,526, showing an increase over the corresponding month last year of 2,631 pupils enrolled, and 4,383 in the average attendance, to which, if the attendance at the Model School be added, the increase in attendance will be nearly 5,000.

The whole number of days of absence of teachers during the month was 1,736, which is 114 less than during the same month last year.

I append hereto a list of all teachers in whose classes the rate of absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and be placed on file.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, May 19, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy, from the 5th to the 18th of May, inclusive :

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents was 615.

Of this number, 327 were kept at home by sickness, poverty, and other causes, leaving 234 truants and non-attendants, of which number 197 have been placed in school, 8 committed by Police Justices to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, and 29 withdrawn from school.

John Smith, who was arrested and brought before Police Justice Wandell on the 4th of May, was duly convicted, and committed to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, who, upon examination of the commitment, found it to be what is known as a temporary commitment, and discharged the boy. This is one of the cases reported as having been sent to Randall's Island, in my last report.

John Butler, who was arrested and brought before Police Justice Flammer, May 14th, was placed on probation. In this case the Justice suspended sentence, upon condition that the father would report to him every week, and produce in court a certificate from the boy's teacher, showing regularity of attendance.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Supt. of Truancy.*



## SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	161	
“ “ “ sickness.....	75	
“ “ “ poverty.....	24	
“ “ whose residence could not be found..	67	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		327
No. of children found to be truants.....	109	
“ “ “ habitual truants.....	56	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	47	
“ cases not disposed of.....	22	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants		234
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Total number of cases investigated.....		561
No. of truants returned to school.....	106	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	50	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	38	
“ withdrawn from school.....	29	
“ children committed to Randall's Island by police justices.....	8	
“ destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thus en- abled to attend school.....	3	
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Total number of cases disposed of.....		234

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

From the Superintendent of Truancy, transmitting the application of Mr. J. Toole for the release of his son from restraint under the Compulsory Education law.

On motion of Commissioner West—

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From W. C. Reddy, Esq., attorney for James McDowell, transmitting a bill for work done on school-house in the late District No. 1, Town of West Farms.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

By the President, the bill of W. A. B. Wade, for extra services of assistants during the rebuilding of G. S. No. 22, dated April 4, 1873.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the coroner's jury, with reference to the death of Henry Finley by falling from an elevator at G. S. building No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From H. L. Grant, relative to certain lots in Sixty-first street, the property of the Board of Education.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From Col. A. W. Sheldon, an invitation to participate in the ceremonies of Decoration Day, by the Grand Army of the Republic, on Monday, May 31.

On motion of Commissioner HALSTED, said invitation was accepted, and the communication ordered to be placed on file.

From Rev. C. D. Foss, D.D., President of the "Methodist Preachers' Meeting of New York and vicinity," transmitting the resolutions adopted by that body adverse to the proposal to incorporate the Catholic Parochial Schools with the Public Schools of New York.

Referred to the Committee of Conference.

From John T. Gibbons, making application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Garland Turell, relative to ventilation in Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From Joseph K. O'Brien, relative to his resignation of the office of School Trustee of the Eighteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the special order of business, in accordance with the resolution of the Board adopted at the stated session held on May 5, was the consideration of the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, on the study of German and French in the Public Schools, as found on pages 295 to 299 of the Journal for 1875.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the special order.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioner Dowd as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose, and the President resumed the chair.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE reported that "the Committee of the Whole, having had under consideration the report of the Committee on Study and School Books, with

reference to the study of German and French in the Public Schools, have made some progress in the same, and have directed me to report that fact to the Board, and ask leave to sit again."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would accept the report of the Committee of the Whole, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would grant leave to the Committee to sit again, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to German and French, be made the special order after the third order of business at the next meeting of the Board, and that the Board then go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration thereof.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report from the Auditing Committee, relative to the Apportionment of School Moneys to the Hebrew Benevolent Society School; recommending that so much of the resolution adopted April 21st, Journal, page 278, as relates to the school attached to the Hebrew Benevolent Society, be rescinded, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That so much of the resolution adopted by this Board as relates to the Hebrew Benevolent Society School, found on page 278 of the Journal, be rescinded, and that the sub-

ject of the disposition of the money apportioned to said school be referred to the Finance Committee.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to hire additional premises on the east side of Grammar School building No. 27, in favor of granting said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to hire the premises No. 214 East Forty-second street, for a term of one year, with a privilege of renewal for one year, at an annual rent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000); said premises to be occupied as a Branch of Grammar School No. 27.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to re-leasing premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, for a term of one year from March 1, 1875. This authority having already been granted (Journal, pp. 138, 161, 162,) the committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Buildings be discharged from the further consideration of the subject of re-leasing the premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, the authority asked for having been granted by the Board of Education at a meeting held February 17th.

WM. DOWD,	} Committee on Buildings.
C. V. LEWIS,	
DAVID F. BAKER,	
WILLIAM HERRING,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, stating that they have re-hired the premises in 124th street, between 5th and 6th avenues, occupied by Primary School No. 38, and submitting the following resolution, confirming the action of the Trustees.

*Resolved*, That the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, in re-hiring the premises located in One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, between 5th and 6th avenues, occupied

by Primary School No. 38, for one year from March 1, 1875, be, and the same is hereby confirmed.

WM. DOWD, C. V. LEWIS, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for permission to advertise for proposals to rebuild Grammar School No. 7, and recommending that the application to re-build be denied, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for rebuilding Grammar School House No. 7, be, and the same is hereby denied.

WM. DOWD, C. V. LEWIS, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Miss Josephine M. P. Hume for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary De-

partment of Grammar School No. 32, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Josephine M. P. Hume, nominated by the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 32, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klainroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, to repair the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 65, recommending that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for making alterations and additions to said apparatus, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for making additions and alterations to the heating apparatus in Grammar School Building No. 65, plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of



this Board, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
L. N. FULLER,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred a communication from Mr. A. Villarroel, Corresponding Agent of the International Exhibition of Chili, to Wm. H. Neilson, Esq., President of the Board, asking contributions for the said exhibition, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the case of text-books, portfolios, specimens, etc. previously sent to Vienna for exhibition, and now on storage be donated to the Chilian Government, through its agent, Mr. A. Villarroel, to be exhibited at the forthcoming exposition in that country, and for such further purpose as may seem appropriate to the said Government.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the resig-

nation of Philip Ketterer, as a Trustee for the Eighth Ward, recommending that said resignation be accepted, and nominating Mr. Franz Branig to fill said vacancy, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Franz Branig, residence No. 55 Thompson street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Eighth Ward, *vice* Philip Ketterer, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January (1877), eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1875, chapters 112 and 215 of the Laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
C. V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
L. N. FULLER,	}	

The PRESIDENT put the question, whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the payment of sundry bills for the purchase of apparatus, etc., supplied the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

E. & H. T. Anthony & Co., apparatus, Department of Physics. ....	\$39.75
Charles T. Chester, Department of Physics....	10.00
James W. Queen & Co. " " ....	150.00
James W. Queen & Co., Department of Natural Science.....	115.00
M. Bass, Agt., Charts, Department of Natural Science.....	57.53
Scribner, Armstrong & Co., Books, Department of Natural Science.....	16.80

WILLIAM WOOD, L. N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH, J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of Charles A. Berrian, for services rendered as clerk in the Truancy Department, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bill be, and the same is hereby approved :  
Charles A. Berrian, for services rendered from April 19 to May 18, in the Superintendent of Truancy Department, under authority of resolution, Journal, pp. 851, 852, of 1874..... \$75.00

HENRY P. WEST, EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID F. BAKER, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred a communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for a new piano for the Male Department of Grammar School No. 20, recommending that a new one be purchased at an expense not to exceed three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), and that an appropriation of that amount be made for said purpose.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a carpet and Furniture for the Principal's room in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 26, recommending that the application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a carpet and the necessary furniture required for the Principal's room in the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 26, the expense incurred to be charged to the Incidental Fund of the Twentieth Ward.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—16.

*Nay*—Commissioner West—1.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, relative to the award made by them for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School building No. 10, to John Elder, Jr., for the sum of two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars (\$2,450), stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to appropriate the amount named, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars (\$2,450) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for altering and repairing the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 10, in the Fifteenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose with John Elder, Jr., together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communications from the Eleventh and Nineteenth Wards, in relation to the awards made by each, for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School buildings Nos. 15 and 18; for No. 15, to John Elder, Jr., for the sum of six thousand seven hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$6,734); and for No. 18, to the Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Co., for six thousand two hundred and twelve dollars (\$6,212); and stating that the Board has the “ability” to appropriate the sums named, submitting a resolution appropriating the money and authorizing the contracts.

*Resolved*, That the sum of six thousand seven hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$6,734) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing the heating apparatus required for Grammar School Building No. 15, in the Eleventh Ward; and that the sum of six thousand two hundred and twelve dollars (\$6,212) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School building No. 18, in the Nineteenth Ward, but no part of said moneys to be paid until the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for the purpose herein named, with John Elder, Jr.; and the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for a like purpose with “The Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company,” together with such security, in each case, as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor

until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof and the time of payment, and the amount of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the respective Wards named herein, and no payments to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, } *Finance*  
W. M. DOWD, } *Committee.*  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, }

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, relative to the award made by them for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School No. 42 to John Elder, Jr., for the sum of \$7,987.00, rejecting said award, and awarding said contract to the Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company, for six thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twelve cents (\$6,957.12), submitting a resolution authorizing an appropriation of this sum for the purpose named herein, the Board having the "financial ability" so to do.

*Resolved*, That the sum of six thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twelve cents (\$6,957.12) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing the heating apparatus required for Grammar School building No. 42, but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Tenth

Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose with the Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof and the amount and time of payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Trand, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to the award made by them for the heating apparatus required for the new building erected on 128th street, in said Ward, to Gillis & Geoligan, for \$7,825.00, rejecting said award, and awarding said contract to John Neal, for the sum of seven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$7,700), stating that the Board has the “ability” to make the appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$7,700) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing the heating apparatus required for the new building



on 128th street, in the Twelfth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose with John Neal, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the time of payment and amount of the instalments, the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, requesting an appropriation of six hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-one cents (\$625.61), for the payment of bills incurred in fitting up the premises leased for the use of Primary School No. 35, stating that the Board has the “ability” to authorize the payment of this amount, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of six hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-one cents (\$625.61) be, and the same is hereby

appropriated for the payment of sundry bills incurred by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, in fitting up the premises on First avenue, near Fifty-third street, occupied by Primary School No. 35, said bills to be paid on their approval by the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Committee on Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i> <i>Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, West Wetmore and Wood—17.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Dowd offered the following:

*Whereas*, By a decision of the Supreme Court, rendered October, 1874, General Term, in the case of J. Kedian and Another, respondents, *against* William H. Neilson, President of the Board of Education, and Others, appellants, it is declared that, "The Board of Education was not a Department of the Municipal Government of the City of New York, and the provisions of the Charter of 1873, in reference to the payment of moneys from the City Treasury, did not apply to that Board," and "that by the Act of 1873 the Board of Education was . . . a distinctive educational branch of government, and was not made a part of the General City Government," and that the several acts therein referred to contemplate that moneys required for the purposes of the Board

of Education . . . shall be drawn out from the Treasury of the City only by the draft of the President of said Board of Education, countersigned by the Clerk of said Board ;” and

*Whereas*, It is manifest that the present system of payments through the Comptroller is of no pecuniary or other advantage to the City, but the contrary, inasmuch as a large additional expenditure is caused by the employment by the Comptroller of a clerical force for revising the expenditures of this Board, after the careful revision they receive from its proper committees, and the officers necessarily employed for this purpose ; and

*Whereas*, Such system of payment is opposed to the decision of the Supreme Court herein quoted ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, etc., be, and they hereby are instructed to report to this Board, at its next stated meeting, what measures are necessary to be taken to enforce the right of this Board to the corporate control and disbursement of the funds apportioned for the purposes of public instruction, and which control and direct disbursement are important obligations of the Board, imposed upon it by the laws of the State, as decided by the late decree of the Supreme Court.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

MAY 19, 1875.

Commissioner Dowd announced to the Committee that the report of the Committee on the Course of Study and School Books, on the study of German and French in the Public Schools, had been referred to the Committee for consideration.

Commissioners FULLER and WOOD addressed the Committee.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following:—

Substitute for section 39, as amended by the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books:

SEC. 39. Teachers of Vocal Music, Drawing, French, and German shall be classified as special teachers. No salary paid to a Teacher of Vocal Music or Drawing in a Grammar or Primary School, or to a Teacher of French or German in a Grammar School, shall exceed the rate of \$1.75 (say one dollar and three-quarters) per hour for the time actually employed in instruction. Nor shall the time occupied in Vocal Music or Drawing, in any Primary School or Department, exceed one hour and twenty minutes per week, nor for the same studies in any Grammar School three hours and twenty minutes per week, nor for the studies of French or German in any Grammar School more than one hour and forty minutes per week.

Strike out section 77, as being rendered unnecessary by the operation of section 39 as amended.

Instead of section 79, as amended by the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, substitute the following:

SEC. 79. The City Superintendent, under the direction of the Committee on Teachers, shall be authorized to license teachers specially to give instruction in French or German in each of the *three highest grades* of the Grammar Schools, and the number of recitations in each of the grades pursuing the study of either of these languages shall be *four*, of twenty-five minutes each per week, and no pupil shall be permitted to pursue the study of more than one of these languages at the same time.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to report at the next or succeeding regular meeting of the Board a course of instruction in the French and German languages, which shall comprehend in three divisions such a course of French, and such portions of the course of German given under section 81 as shall by them be deemed suitable for the instruction in French or German of the third, second, and first grades of the Grammar Schools.

Commissioner KLAMROTH addressed the Committee on the questions before the Committee.

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved that the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the motion of Commissioner Mathewson, and it was decided in the affirmative.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1875.

### STATED SESSION.

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—21.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on May 19, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following preamble and resolution :

*Whereas*, The report of the City Superintendent, of 19th May, 1875, forming part of the Journal of this Board, as printed in pages 337 and 338, does not conform to section 80, third division, of the By-Laws, page 179 of the Manual; therefore,

*Resolved*, That said report of the City Superintendent be referred back to him, to be amended by using the adjectives "*Excellent*," "*Good*," "*Fair*," "*Indifferent*," or "*Bad*," as the case may be, instead of "*Efficient*," "*Correct*," "*Defective*," and "*Commendable*," used by him in his said report of 19th May, 1875.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The **PRESIDENT** laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, submitting statements of the alterations, repairs, etc., necessary in the school buildings of the said Wards.

So much as refers to buildings, referred to the Committee on Buildings.

So much as refers to Warming and Ventilation, referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation ; and

So much as refers to school furniture, referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Third Ward, asking permission to close P. S. No. 37 for a part of one or two days, in the discretion of the Trustees, for special purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking that the vacant lot attached to G. S. No. 24 be put in proper condition for a playground.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the transfer

of the Principals of P. D. G. S. No. 23, and of P. S. No. 2, in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the appointment of a Teacher in the Female Department of G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss Matilda Mosher, F. D. G. S. No. 2.}

Miss Mary E. Whikehart, F. D. G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals to alter and enlarge G. S. No. 38.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Emma Jones, F. D. G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Cynthia Murdock, P. S. No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for permission to organize a Male Evening School in G. S. building No. 22, and to have the necessary fitting up for that purpose.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.



From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for an appropriation to rebuild Grammar School house No. 36, in Ninth street, destroyed by fire, June 1.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Kate Bunce, P. D. G. S. No. 36.

Miss Kate A. Wiltsie, P. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Henrietta Walters, M. D. G. S. No. 36.

Miss Fannie Auld, M. D. G. S. No. 15.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for the transfer of Jacob S. Warner, Principal of Grammar School No. 57, to Grammar School No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Samuel Ayres for Principal of G. S. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to transfer Elijah A. Howland from G. S. No. 43 to the new school in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for the transfer of Miss Susan M. Edney from P. S. No. 38 to the new school in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Miss Lizzie Thompson for Principal of F. D. G. S. in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, declining to ratify the award of the contract to John Neal, for the heating apparatus for G. S. building in 128th street.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$150 for the purpose of fitting up the Trustees' room in G. S. building No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Margart C. Cornell, F. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Hattie S. Greenwood, F. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Alcy B. Greenwood, F. D. G. S. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making the award of contract for fitting up the premises No. 95 Attorney street, for additional branch of P. D. G. S. No. 4, and asking for an appropriation of \$2,370.00 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Anna F. Habberlin, P. D. G. S. No. 10.

Miss Cassie L. MacFarland, M. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Louisa S. Brady, M. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Mary H. Lynch, P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Kate McKee, G. S. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Adell Egbert, M. D. G. S. No. 25.

Miss Hattie W. Esler, F. D. G. S. No. 25.

Mrs. Anna E. Snyder, F. D. G. S. No. 13.

Miss Carrie A. McCollister, P. S. No. 6.

Miss Annie Cunningham, P. S. No. 22.

Miss H. Louisa Clark, P. S. No. 26.

Miss Lillie Swain, M. D. G. S. No. 25.

Miss Maria M. Price, P. S. No. 26.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for additional desk accommodation for G. S. No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that a room be fitted up for the use of the teachers in the Female Department of G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to the leasing of the building No. 214 East Forty-second street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for additional water-closets for G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking permission to lease the premises No. 220 East Seventy-fifth street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for new furniture for the two rear class-rooms of the Male Department of G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Frances R. Scott, G. D. No. 48.

Miss Emma C. Sandford, G. D. No. 48.

Miss Jessie L. Radford, G. D. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss Sarah J. Molloy, P. D. G. S. No. 14.

Miss Sarah A. Seeley, F. D. G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Sarah A. Jutten, P. D. G. S. No. 51. Also, for leave of absence.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for leave of absence for the following teachers :

Miss Louise Bamman, P. P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Miss Helen Fox, F. D. G. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, relative to disinfectants for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating Mrs. Sarah C. Yenney for janitress of Branch No. 2, P. D. G. S. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for the enlargement of G. S. building No. 63.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for additional furniture for G. S. No. 63.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
New York, June 2, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to lay before you the figures of the school census taken under the direction of the Police Commissioners. It shows 107,057 children, in the City of New York, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, which are classified under the following heads, viz.:

No. of children attending Public Schools.....					70,848
"	"	"	Private	"	..... 6,595
"	"	"	Parish	"	.....15,656
"	"	"	German	"	..... 3,270
"	"	"	Corporate	"	..... 2,001
"	"	taught at home.....			1,262
"	"	in N. Y. Juvenile Asylum.....			48
"	"	deaf and dumb.....			69
"	"	not attending school.....			5,671
"	"	at work.....			637
"	"	in stores and factories.....			613
"	"	physically disqualified.....			288
"	"	destitute.....			83
"	"	cannot speak English.....			16
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Total No. of children not attending school.....					7,308
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Total number on census.....					107,057

The total number of cases investigated by the agents from May 19th to June 1st, inclusive, was 661.

Of this number 339 were kept from school by various minor causes, leaving 322 truants and non-attendants, of which number 246 have been placed in school, 2 committed by Police Justices to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, and 74 withdrawn from school.

By resolution of the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application of James Toole for the release of his son, Charles O. Toole, the Superintendent of Truancy was directed to procure the release of the boy, upon the approval of the committing Magistrate. The approval of Police Justice Morgan, the committing Magistrate, was obtained, and the boy released.

On the 25th of May an official communication was received by me, from the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, stating that Hugh Kennedy, committed to Randall's Island on the 24th May, had made his escape; he has not yet been re-taken.

The six police officers detailed to this department by the Police Commissioners, to perform duty as Agents of Truancy, have been assigned to the district shown by the annexed schedule.

Appended will be found a detailed statement of cases investigated by the Agents.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Supt. of Truancy.*

#### SCHEDULE.

Officer Barret, assigned to that portion of the 12th Ward north of 137th street.

Officer Davidson, assigned to that portion of the 12th Ward south of 137th street and west of 5th avenue.

Officer Lane, assigned to that portion of the 12th Ward south of 137th street and east of 5th avenue.

Officer Ferguson, assigned to the 22d Ward.

Officer Anderson, assigned to the 19th Ward.

Officer Sherwood, assigned to duty in the office of the Superintendent of Truancy.

Agent of Truancy S. M. Barrett, transferred from the 7th School District to the 24th Ward.

No. of children kept at home by parents . . . . .	152
“ “ “ sickness . . . . .	88
“ “ “ poverty . . . . .	11
“ “ whose residence could not be found	89

Total number not classed as truants . . . . .

339

No. of children found to be truants.....	89	
“ “ “ habitual truants.....	40	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	90	
“ cases not disposed of.....	103	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants		322
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Total number of cases investigated.....		661
No. of truants returned to school.....	114	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	48	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	84	
“ children withdrawn from school.....	74	
“ children committed to Randall’s Island by police justices.....	2	
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Total number of cases disposed of.....		322

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of School Buildings relative, to the condition of the school-nouses and premises under the care of the Board.

Referred to the Committee on Buildtngs.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Commissioner Seligman, asking to be excused for absence from the last stated session of the Board.

On motion, Commissioner Seligman was excused.



From Hon. A. H. Green, Comptroller, relative to the verification of the necessity of all expenditures.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The protest of Jacob S. Warner, Principal of G. S. No. 57, against being transferred from that school to No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Hon. A. Villarroel, agent of the Chilian Government, acknowledging the receipt of a contribution of books and apparatus for the International Exposition in that country.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From M. J. Farrell, supervisor of the *City Record*, relative to the newspapers to be used for advertising purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Charles H. Willson, resigning his office as School Trustee of the Nineteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From W. T. Peoples, Librarian of the Mercantile Library, returning a volume, the property of the Board, missent to that library.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From the New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, protesting against the distribution of the school money to sectarian schools.

Referred to the Committee on Conference.

From Mrs. Mary M. Moreau, Principal of Colored School No.

6, relative to the history of said school, with a statement of her labors in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.

From Mrs. Mary M. Moreau, and the Assistant Teachers, relative to salary for the months of July and August.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.

From Robert Stricker, Draftsman in the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, relative to an increase of salary.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy.

From Charles W. Lord, asking to have his "Rudiments of Music" placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From E. H. McGurk, Esq., asking for the release of Joseph Anderson, "restrained" under the Compulsory Education law.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

From John Costello, asking for the release of his sons, Hugh and Thomas, from "restraint" under the Compulsory Education Law.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

From Rev. Dr. R. L. Burtzell, asking for the release of the sons of John Costello.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

## RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner TOWNSEND offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$350,000) from the fund appropriated for public instruction for the year 1875, subject to the drafts of this Board on and after this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

## SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Special Order, in accordance with the resolution of the Board, was the consideration of the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books on the study of German.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the special order be postponed until after the Board had transacted its business in the regular order, that a recess then be taken, and that the Board, on re-assembling, take up the special order for consideration.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the "Nursery and Childs'

Hospital," relative to the participation of the school attached to said institution in the distribution of the Common School Fund; and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That "the school established and maintained by the Nursery and Childs' Hospital in the City of New York, and including the County branch thereof," be allowed the share in the distribution of the Common School Fund for the years 1874 and 1875, to which it is entitled, "in the same manner and degree as the Common Schools of the City and County of New York," to be paid as shall be directed by the Finance Committee of the Board of Education, subject to the provision of section 21 of the School Law of 1864, page 36 of the Manual.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By Laws, Elections, and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution authorizing this Committee to select a suitable clerk to the Superintendent of Truancy, at an annual salary of — dollars, to be paid from the fund set apart for enforcing the Compulsory Education Act, such selection and salary to be paid to be reported to this Board for its approval, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Charles A. Berrian be, and he is hereby appointed clerk to the Superintendent of Truancy, the salary to be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) per annum, to be paid from the fund set apart for enforcing the Compulsory Education Act; said appointment to continue during the month of June and up to and including the 3d day of July, 1875.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>By-Laws,</i> <i>Elections and</i> <i>Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Comptroller, submitting a decision of the Counsel to the Corporation, which "requires that a certificate of the necessity of an expenditure must be filed prior to, or at the time the expenditure is made," and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the decision referred to in the communication of the Comptroller, relative to "a certificate of the necessity of an expenditure must be filed prior to, or at the time the expenditure is made," refers to departments of the city government, and the Board of Education not being a part of the

city government, it does not come within the provisions of the charter.

R. W. TOWNSEND, A. P. MAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE, HENRY P. WEST, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from Mr. H. L. Grant, relative to purchase of four lots of ground situated on West Sixty-first street, near the Boulevard, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the Committee on Sites and New Schools be, and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the communication from Mr. H. L. Grant, relative to certain lots in Sixty-first street, near the Boulevard, the property of the Board of Education.

S. P. PATTERSON, WILLIAM HERRING, A. J. MATHEWSON, LAWSON N. FULLER, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the annexed bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Cushing & Bardua, printing to May 22.....	\$193 37
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery to May 21.....	73 00
<i>N. Y. Times</i> , advertising to May 8.....	356 20
<i>Journal of Commerce</i> , subscription for 1875.....	8 50
Wm. C. Bryant & Co., printing to April 27.....	31 25
Edward D. Bassford, grate guard for President's room.	5 00
L. D. Kiernan, incidentals to May 26.....	40 62
Charles A. Berrian, for services rendered in Superintendent of Truancy Department, under resolution of 1874, pp. 851 and 852.....	24 00

H. P. WEST, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS, S. P. PATTERSON,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Trand, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for a new piano for the use of Primary School No. 44 ; recommending that an appropriation of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), be made to purchase a piano for Primary School No. 44.

DAVID WETMORE, EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID F. BAKER,	} <i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that the rooms now occupied by the janitress of Primary School No. 33 be used as a play-room, also that the janitress be allowed an increase of salary for payment of rent, adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Buildings be discharged from the further consideration of the subject of using the rooms occupied by the janitress of Primary School No. 33 as play-rooms.

WM. DOWD, WILLIAM HERRING, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, relative to employing a janitor for Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, recommending that the application of said Trustees be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to employ a Janitress for Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, at an annual salary of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.)

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, relative to making sundry alterations in Grammar School Building No. 38; recommending that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for making said alterations, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eighth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for altering and enlarging Grammar School Building No. 38, Plans and Specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

Wm. Dowd, David F. Baker, William Herring, C. V. Lewis,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Down presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking the co-operation of the Board against the erection of an abattoir on the Hudson river, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Health be respectfully solicited to co-operate with the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward against the erection of an abattoir on the Hudson river, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, on the award of contract for furnishing fuel for the year ending the 1st day of June, 1876.

For wood, to Clark & Wilkins, stating that no award of the contract for coal had been made by the Committee, and that it was necessary to readvertise for the supply of coal, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they are hereby authorized to contract with Clark & Wilkins for the wood required for the use of the schools under the control of this Board, pursuant to their proposal, for the year ending June 1, 1876, at the rate of seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per cord for the oak wood, and nine dollars (\$9.00) for the pine wood; and for sawing eight cents (8c.) and splitting eight cents (8c.) for the oak wood; and for sawing five cents (5c.) and splitting five cents (5c.) for the pine wood, each per cut per load; said Clark & Wilkins to furnish sureties satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies for the faithful performance of said contract, and to deliver said wood in every respect as conditioned in their proposal, and in accordance with the By-Laws of this Board and the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals.

*Resolved*, That the action of the Committee on Supplies in rejecting all of the said proposals for supplying coal for the reason that it would not be for the public interest to accept any of them, and in re-advertising for proposals therefor be and the same is hereby confirmed.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
DAVID WETMORE,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
J. M. HALSTED,	
WM. WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Third Ward, asking permission to close Primary School No. 37 for part of one or two days, and recommending that said permission be granted.

WILLIAM HERRING,	} Committee on Course of Study and School Books.
ALBERT KLAMROTH,	
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
A. P. MAN,	
WM. WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred

the communication from Wilson MacDonnell, relative to his anatomical models of the human form, with a view of having the same used in the public schools; recommending that they be used in Male Grammar School No. 58, and Female Grammar School No. 47, as an experiment, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this Board permit the use of Wilson MacDonnell's anatomical models in Male Grammar School No. 58, and Female Grammar School No. 47. These models consist of—

1st. The Human Skeleton.

2d. A figure giving the external muscles, bands ligaments, cords and tendons.

3d. A figure giving the internal structure, containing lungs, heart, liver, stomach, kidneys, and principal blood-vessels, and intestines.

All the above colored in accordance with nature, and the cost of the whole three models to be sixty-five dollars (\$65).

WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Baker, relative to "the propriety of

introducing in the Female Departments of the Common Schools of this city instruction in sewing and needlework, as one of the prescribed branches of the regular course of instruction," etc., and recommending the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That in the Girls' Primary Schools, the girls studying in the first grade omit object lessons, so far as they relate to the human body and animals, and in place thereof be taught sewing during the time which would otherwise have been occupied by the above-named object lesson, and that the Board furnish the necessary materials, according to a tariff to be arranged by the Committee on Supplies.

*Resolved*, That this resolution take effect on and after September 6, 1875.

WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that said report be laid on the table until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Juliet Clannon for the position of Vice-Principal of Grammar School No. 47, *vice* Miss Josephine Sheldon, deceased, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Juliet Clannon, nominated by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of

Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 47, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report from the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for use in the Male Department of Grammar School No. 20, stating that the Board has the “ability” to comply with the recommendation of said Committee, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 20, in the Tenth Ward, at an expense not exceeding the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), the old piano to be used in part payment, in the discretion of the said Commit-

tee, the sum expended to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, JOS. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, requesting an appropriation of one hundred and ninety dollars (\$190) for the payment of the bill of F. G. Green, incurred for repairs to the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 55, stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to make the appropriation requested, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars (\$190) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Frank G. Green, incurred by the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, for repairs to the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 55, said bill to be paid upon the approval of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward and the Engineer of this Board.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, JOS. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the award of contracts for the heating apparatus required for Grammar Schools No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, and No. 18, in the 19th Ward, to the Woodward Steam Pump Mfg Co., stating that said Company have declined said contracts, in consequence "of the advance in the price of materials," and submitting the following resolutions rescinding the appropriations already made, and authorizing the Trustees to re-advertise.

*Resolved*, That so much of the resolution recorded in the Journal of the 19th of May last, on page 353, as authorizes the appropriation of the sum of six thousand two hundred and twelve dollars (\$6,212) for heating apparatus to be furnished Grammar School Building No. 18, in the Nineteenth Ward, by a contract to be entered into with the "Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company," be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

*Resolved*, That the resolution recorded on pages 354 and 355 of the Journal of 19th May last, appropriating the sum of six thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twelve cents (\$6,957.12), for heating apparatus to be furnished Grammar School No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, by a contract to be entered into with "The Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company," be, and the same is hereby rescinded



*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Tenth and Nineteenth Wards respectively be, and they hereby are authorized to re-advertise for proposals for the heating apparatus required for Grammar Schools Nos. 42 and 18, in accordance with the specifications already prepared for said work.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—21.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Wood submitted a Schedule of Groups of Schools, as follows, accompanied with the resolution annexed :

*Schools divided into 21 groups, each group to be visited by a Commissioner between 1st of July and 31st December, 1875.*

	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	Com.	
Groups .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Grammar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Schools	67	66	65	64	63	62	61	60	59	58	57	56	55	54	53	52	51	50	49	48	47
	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26
	25	24	23	22																	
Primary					17	14	13	11	12	10	15	9	16	6	5	8	7	4	3	2	1
Schools	18	19	21	32	20	24	22	23	25	27	30	38	34	40	41	43	20	44	45	46	47
										45			42	39	37	36	35	33	31	29	28
Colored Sc'ls.	1	2	3	4																	

*Resolved,* That the system of groups as arranged above be adopted, on and after the 1st July, 1875, and that new schools be added to groups 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12, in the order named, and that each Commissioner visit one group during each half year commencing on 1st July, 1875, and that the group to be visited by each Commissioner be designated by the President at the last meeting in June and the last meeting in December of each year.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that said resolution be laid on the table, and that the schedule be entered in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Patterson, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board adjourn to meet at 7:30 P. M.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

L. D. KIERNAN

*Clerk*

**WEDNESDY, JUNE 2, 1875.****ADJOURNED SESSION.**

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, at 7:30 P. M.

*Present*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—21.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Board, in accordance with the resolution adopted, would go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Course of Study and School Books, with the amendments thereto.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board go into Committee of the Whole.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.**

Commissioner Dowd in the Chair.

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that the Committee adjourn.

The CHAIRMAN declared that said motion was out of order.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the substitute, sec. 39, offered by Commissioner Wood (Journal, p. 359), be amended by striking out of the fifth and sixth lines the words and figures "\$1.75 (say one dollar and three-quarters)," and inserting "one dollar and seventy-five cents," and also to add at the end of the section the words "for each class, where the same are authorized to be taught"

Commissioners Klamroth, Fuller, Man, Herring, Seligman, Jenkins, West, Beardslee and Mathewson, addressed the Committee.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the amendment of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN moved to amend said section by striking from the enumeration of special teachers, in the first sentence, the words "and German," and inserting the word "and" before "French," in the first line of said section.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the motion of Commissioner Man, and it was decided in the negative.

The CHAIRMAN then put the question whether the Committee would adopt the substitute for Sec. 39 of the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., offered by Commissioner Wood, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree to strike out Section 77, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved to amend Sec. 79, as submitted by Commissioner Wood (Journal, p. 360), by striking out of the third and fourth lines the words "each of the *three* highest grades of."

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the motion of Commissioner Seligman, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Committee rise, report to the Board, and recommend the adoption of the report of the Committee on the Course of Study and School Books, with reference to the study of German and French in the Public Schools, as amended.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Committee rose, and the President having taken the chair—

The CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE reported that the Committee having had under consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., relative to the study of German and French in the Public Schools, had amended the same, and directed that that fact be reported to the Board, and that the adoption of the report be recommended, as follows :

Amend Section 39 so as to read as follows :

SEC. 39. Teachers of Vocal Music, Drawing, French, and German shall be classified as special teachers. No salary paid to a Teacher of Vocal Music or Drawing in a Grammar or Primary School, or to a Teacher of French or German in a Grammar School, shall exceed the rate of one dollar and seventy-five cents per hour for the time actually employed in instruction. Nor shall the time occupied in Vocal Music or Drawing, in any Pri-

mary School or Department, exceed one hour and twenty minutes per week, nor for the same studies in any Grammar School three hours and twenty minutes per week, nor for the studies of French or German in any Grammar School more than one hour and forty minutes per week, for each class, where the same are authorized to be taught.

Amend Section 76 so as to read as follows :

SEC. 76. Whenever the parents or guardians of at least thirty pupils attending a Grammar Department shall desire the introduction of French or German, the Trustees of the Ward shall introduce the study of such language in said Department, but no child shall be compelled to study German or French contrary to the wishes of its parents or guardians, expressed either personally or in writing, and whenever the average attendance of pupils engaged in the study of French or German, in any department, shall fall below fifteen for the period of three months, such study shall thereafter be discontinued in said department.

SEC. 78. Amend Section 78 so as to read as follows :

SEC. 78. Whenever the study of French or German shall have been introduced as above, it shall be pursued according to the course of studies in French or German which has been or may hereafter be prescribed by the Board, and pupils pursuing the study of either of these languages shall be required to show the proficiency assigned to each grade before being promoted to a higher grade in the same language.

Strike out subdivision one of this Section.

SEC. 79. Amend Section 79 so as to read as follows :

SEC. 79. The City Superintendent, under the direction of the Committee on Teachers, shall be authorized to license teachers specially to give instruction in French or German in each of the

three highest grades of the Grammar Schools, and the number of recitations in each of the grades pursuing the study of either of these languages shall be four, of twenty-five minutes each per week, and no pupil shall be permitted to pursue the study of more than one of these languages at the same time.

SEC. 81.—COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE.

EIGHTH GRADE.

1. The Alphabet, both printed and script, with simple exercises in reading and writing, by dictation and by copying.
2. Colloquial Exercises on objects seen at school and at home.

SEVENTH GRADE.

1. Exercises in reading and writing, by dictation and by copying.
2. Translation, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including subjects and predicates of various forms, with instruction in the use of the article and the present tense of verbs, including the auxiliary verb *sein*.
3. Colloquial Exercises on parts of the human body, on clothing and on food.

SIXTH GRADE.

1. Reading and writing by dictation and by copying continued.
2. Translation, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including subject, predicate, object and simple adjuncts, with instruction in the gender, number and case of nouns and pronominal adjectives, the present and imperfect tenses of weak verbs, and of the verbs *sein* and *haben*.
3. Grammar. Declension of the articles and of nouns (strong, weak, mixed).
4. Colloquial Exercises on miscellaneous topics, including the geography of the United States as taught in this grade.

FIFTH GRADE.

1. Reading and writing continued, as in the preceding grades.
2. Translation, oral and written, of simple sentences in German and English, including phrases and the use of the preposition; also of easy compound sentences, with instruction in the declension and comparison of adjectives, the declension of pronouns and the conjugations of the verbs *sein* and *haben*, and of the active voice of weak verbs.



3. Grammar. Declension of adjectives (strong, weak, mixed) and pronouns. Conjugation of *sein*, *haben*, and the active voice of weak verbs.

4. Colloquial Exercises, on miscellaneous topics, including the geography of South America and Europe, as taught in this grade.

#### FOURTH GRADE.

1. Reading and writing continued as in the preceding grades.

2. Translation, oral and written, of simple and compound sentences in English and German, affording practice in the use of *werden* and the passive voice. Also of model auxiliary and strong verbs.

3. Grammar. Conjugation of the passive voice, of *werden* and of the model auxiliaries *können*, *mögen*, etc.

4. Colloquial Exercises, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States, as taught in this grade.

#### THIRD GRADE.

1. Reading from a German reader, with translation into English; writing, by dictation.

2. Translation, oral and written, of simple and compound sentences, affording practice in the use of strong and irregular verbs, and of conjunctions, with instruction in the transposed order of sentences. Nouns, pronouns and adjectives reviewed and completed.

3. Grammar. Conjugation of strong and irregular verbs.

4. Colloquial Exercises, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

#### SECOND GRADE.

1. Reading and translation from the German reader continued; writing, by dictation.

2. Translation, oral and written, affording practice in the impersonal, reflexive and compound verbs, with instruction in the use of the forms of the verb, especially in the use of the subjunctive and conditional moods.

3. Grammar. Conjugation of impersonal, reflexive and compound verbs.

4. German Composition commenced.

5. Colloquial Exercises, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

## FIRST GRADE.

1. Reading and translation from the German reader continued.
2. Translation, oral and written, of miscellaneous passages in German and English.
3. Grammar reviewed and completed. Rules of government and arrangement of words.
4. German Composition continued, including epistolatory forms.
5. Colloquial Exercises and conversations on promiscuous topics, including General History as taught in this grade.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to report at the next or succeeding regular meeting of the Board a course of instruction in the French and German languages, which shall comprehend in three divisions such a course of French, and such portions of the course of German given under section 81 as shall by them be deemed suitable for the instruction in French or German of the third, second and first grades of the Grammar Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would accept the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report as amended, and it was decided in the negative, as follows—two-thirds not voting in the affirmative :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Kelly, Lewis, Patterson, Townsend, Vermilye, West and Wood—11.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Traud and Wetmore—10.

Commissioners HERRING and MATHEWSON having voted in the affirmative, requested that their votes be changed to the negative, which was so ordered.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the vote by which the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books was lost be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING then moved to lay the report on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1875.

### STATED SESSION.

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner DOWD—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on June 2, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following:—

*Resolved*, That the minutes be amended, by giving in full the report of the Committee on Supplies, instead of the abstract given on page 381 of the Journal, inasmuch as the report gives a statement regarding a claim put forward by Daniel Milliken, which statement was made to the Board in the nature of a “caveat,” and to this the abstract in the Journal makes no reference.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The report of the Committee on Supplies, relative to the proposals and contracts for fuel for the schools for the year ending June 1, 1876, is as follows :

*To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Supplies respectfully report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board adopted on the 21st day of April last, they caused the following advertisement to be published for two weeks in the *City Record*, *New York Times*, and *Evening Post* :

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, (and nowhere else) until Monday, May 24, 1875, at 4 o'clock P. M., for supplying the coal and wood required for the public schools in this city, (including that portion of Westchester county recently annexed thereto), for the ensuing year—say nine thousand five hundred (9,500) tons of coal, more or less, and one thousand six hundred (1,600) cords of oak, and one thousand (1,000) cords of pine wood, more or less. The coal must be of the best quality of white ash, furnace, egg, stove, and nut sizes, clean and in good order, two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds to the ton, and must be delivered in the bins of the several school buildings at such times and in such quantities as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal (to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted), and must state price per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty pounds (2,240) pounds.

The quantity of the various sizes of coal required will be about as follows, viz : Seven thousand two hundred (7,200) tons of furnace size, one thousand two hundred (1,200) tons of stove size, five hundred (500) tons of egg size, and six hundred (600) tons of nut size. The oak wood must be of the best quality, the stick not less than three (3) feet long.

The pine wood must be of the best quality, Virginia, and not less than three (3) feet six (6) inches long. The proposal must state the price per cord of one hundred and twenty-eight cubic feet, solid measure, for both oak and pine wood, and also the price per cut for sawing and splitting per load, the quantity of oak wood to be split only as required by the Committee on Supplies. The wood will be inspected and measured under the supervision of the Inspector of Fuel of the Board of Education, and must be delivered at the schools as follows: Two-thirds of the quantity required from the 10th of June to the 15th of Septem-

ber, and the remainder as required by the Committee on Supplies ; said wood, both oak and pine, must be delivered sawed, and, when required, split, and must be piled in the yards, cellars, vaults, or bins of the school buildings, as may be designated by the proper authority. The contracts for supplying said coal and wood to be binding until the 1st day of June, 1876. Two sureties for the faithful performance of the contract will be required, and each proposal must be accompanied by the signatures and residences of the proposed sureties. No compensation will be allowed for delivering said coal and wood at any of the schools, nor putting and piling the same in the yards, cellars, vaults, or bins of said schools.

Proposals must be directed to the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, and should be indorsed "Proposals for Coal," or "Proposals for Wood," as the case may be.

The Committee reserve the right to reject any or all proposals received.

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE, ANDREW J. MATHEWSON, JAMES M. HALSTED, DAVID WETMORE, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
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NEW YORK, May 8, 1875.

In response to which advertisement there was received eight (8) proposals, three (3) for coal and five (5) for wood, to be supplied to the schools under the control of the Board for the term of one year, ending the 1st day of June, 1876, as follows:

### FOR COAL.

#### 1. GEORGE F. MARTIN & D. MILLIKEN.

7,200 tons of furnace coal at \$9.50 per ton.

1,200 tons of stove coal at \$9.50 per ton.

500 tons of egg coal at \$9.50 per ton.

600 tons of nut coal at \$9.00 per ton.

Sureties, David Milliken, C. W. Alcott & Co., and C. C. Wehrun.

#### 2. C. W. ALCOTT & CO.

7,200 tons of furnace coal at \$9.50 per ton.

1,200 tons of stove coal at \$9.50 per ton.

500 tons of egg coal at \$9.50 per ton.  
600 tons of nut coal at \$9.50 per ton.  
Sureties, John A. Leibert and Walter Palmer.

3. CLARK & WILKINS.

7,200 tons of furnace coal at \$10.50 per ton.  
1,200 tons of stove coal at \$10.50 per ton.  
500 tons of egg coal at \$10 50 per ton.  
600 tons of nut coal at 10.50 per ton.  
Sureties, Chas. E. Mull and G. B. Lawton.

FOR WOOD.

4. DAVID MILLIKEN.

1,600 cords of oak wood at \$7.90 per cord.  
1,000 cords of pine wood at \$8.50 per cord.  
Sawing oak wood per cut per load, 9 cents  
Splitting oak wood per cut per load, 9 cents.  
Sawing pine wood per cut per load, 9 cents.  
Splitting pine wood per cut per load, 9 cents  
Sureties, Joseph A. MacDonald and James Daley.

5. C. W. ALCOTT & CO.

1,600 cords of oak wood at \$8.60 per cord.  
1,000 cords of pine wood at \$9 per cord.  
Sawing oak wood per cut per load, 9 cents.  
Splitting oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Sawing pine wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Splitting pine wood per cut per load, 7 cents.  
Sureties, John A. Leibert and Walter Palmer.

6. JOSEPH W. DURYEE.

1,600 cords of oak wood at \$7.62 per cord.  
1,000 cords of pine wood at \$8.85 per cord.

Sawing oak wood per cut per load, 9 cents,  
Splitting oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Sawing pine wood per cut per load, 7 cents.  
Splitting pine wood per cut per load, 7 cents.  
Sureties, John Sniffen and Stephen Roberts.

7. CLARK & WILKINS.

1,600 cords of oak wood at \$7.50 per cord.  
1,000 cords of pine wood at \$9 per cord.  
Sawing oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Splitting oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Sawing pine wood per cut per load, 5 cents.  
Splitting pine wood per cut per load, 5 cents.  
Sureties, G. B. Lawton and Charles E. Mull.

S. JACOB A. CONOVER.

1,600 cords of oak wood at \$8.30 per cord.  
1,000 cords of pine wood at \$8.37 per cord.  
Sawing oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Splitting oak wood per cut per load, 8 cents.  
Sawing pine wood per cut per load, 7 cents.  
Splitting pine wood per cut per load, 7 cents.  
Sureties, John H. Herrman and Claus Haaran.

Upon consideration of the said several proposals, it appeared that the lowest responsible one for the supply of wood was that made by Clark & Wilkins, being at the price of \$7.50 per cord for oak wood and \$9 per cord for pine wood, and for sawing 8 cents and splitting 8 cents for the oak wood, and for sawing 5 cents and splitting 5 cents for the pine wood, each per cut per load, and it was decided that the contract for supplying to the several schools under the control of the Board, the wood required for the ensuing year, and for sawing and splitting the same, be awarded to the said Clark & Wilkins at the prices above mentioned.



The contractors for the said wood to be governed by the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and the aforesaid advertisement on which the proposals were based.

Since the committee decided upon the award of the wood contract to be given to Messrs. Clark & Wilkins as the lowest responsible bidders, Mr. David Milliken has appealed to the committee, stating that he was the *lowest bidder*, as he *intended* his bid of 9 cents to include both *sawing and splitting*, but when his bid, which was the first opened, was read, the Chairman of the Committee put the question to the members whether Mr. Milliken's bid for "sawing and splitting, 9 cents," meant 9 cents for both, or 9 cents for sawing and 9 cents for splitting. The question was fully discussed in the presence of Mr. Milliken, and it was decided by the committee, in the hearing of Mr. Milliken, that his meaning was *9 cents for sawing and 9 cents for splitting* and the bid was so recorded by each member of the committee present, in the presence of Mr. Milliken, who made no objection at the time to the interpretation given to his bid by the committee.

Upon consideration of the proposals for supplying coal, above mentioned, the Committee were of the opinion that it would not be for the public interest to accept any of the proposals therefor, so made, and that it was their duty to readvertise for the same, and they therefore decided to reject all of the said proposals for coal, and have caused a new advertisement to be published in the papers aforesaid, as follows :

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, (and nowhere else,) until Monday, June 14, 1875, at 4 o'clock P. M., for supplying the coal required for the public schools in this City, (including that portion of Westchester County recently annexed thereto,) for the ensuing year—say nine thousand five hundred (9,500) tons, more or less. The coal must be of the best quality of white ash—furnace, egg, stove, and nut sizes, clean and in good order, two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds to the ton, and must be delivered in the bins of the several school buildings at such times and in such quantities as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal, (to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted,) and must state the price per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds.

The quantity of the various sizes required will be about as follows, viz : Seven thousand two hundred (7,200) tons of furnace, one thousand two hundred (1,200) tons of stove, five hundred (500) tons of egg, and six hundred (600) tons of nut.

The contract for supplying said coal to be binding until the 1st day of June 1876. Two sureties for the faithful performance of the contract will be required, and each proposal must be accompanied by the signatures and residences of the proposed sureties. No compensation will be allowed for delivering said coal at any of the schools, nor for putting the same in the yards, cellars, vaults, or bins of said schools.

Proposals must be directed to the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, and should be indorsed "Proposals for Coal."

The Committee reserve the right to reject any or all proposals received.

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
ANDREW J. MATHEWSON,		
JAMES M. HALSTED,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

NEW YORK, May 29, 1875.

and the Committee submit their action to the Board for confirmation, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they are hereby authorized to contract with Clark & Wilkins for the wood required for the use of the schools under the control of this Board, pursuant to their proposal, for the year ending June 1, 1876, at the rate of \$7.50 per cord for the oak wood, and \$9.00 per cord for the pine wood, and for sawing 8c. and for splitting 8c. for the oak wood, and for sawing 5c. and for splitting 5c. for the pine wood, each per cut per load ; said Clark & Wilkins to furnish sureties satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies for the faithful per-

formance of said contract, and to deliver said wood in every respect as conditioned in their proposal, and in accordance with the By-Laws of this Board, and the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals.

*Resolved*, That the action of the Committee on Supplies in rejecting all of the said proposals for supplying coal, for the reason that it would not be for the public interest to accept of them, and in readvertising for proposals therefor, be, and the same is hereby confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
DAVID WETMORE,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
J. M. HALSTED,	
WM. WOOD,	

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to repairing the pianos in the several schools of said ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for a new boiler for Primary School No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for an appropri-

ation for alterations to class rooms, &c., in Grammar School Building No. 42.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to the destruction of Grammar School Building No. 36 by fire, as follows :—

NEW YORK, June 1, 1875.

*Board of Education of the City of New York :*

The Trustees of the Eleventh Ward Schools respectfully report, that on this day, June 1, 1875, at twelve minutes past 12 P. M., Grammar School No. 36, in Ninth street, was totally destroyed by fire, with all its material and school records.

The fire communicated from a planing mill adjoining, and burned with great rapidity, the school edifice being on fire within ten minutes of the time of its discovery.

The Trustees congratulate your Honorable Board, as well as themselves, that no lives were lost or injury received by any of the pupils or teachers.

Most providentially, the fire occurred at a time when most of the children were at home, it being the noon recess.

EDWARD MIEHLING,

*Secretary,*

GEO. B. RHOADS,

*Chairman,*

*Board of Trustees 11th Ward.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for an appropriation for furniture for the premises lately occupied by G. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for permission to hire premises for the use of G. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. Kate T. Smith, P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Joseph Bernhardt, M. D. G. S. No. 5.

Miss Juliette Hunter, F. D. G. S. No. 30.

Miss M. J. Sweeny, F. D. G. S. No. 21.

Miss Alice E. Gormley, V. P. F. D. G. S. No. 21.

Miss Catharine M. Conner, P. D. G. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary J. Kelly, G. D. No. 55.

Miss R. N. B. McMillan, P. D. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for book cases for P. D. No. 50 and P. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for lamps in front of Evening School No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Jennie Dugan, P. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, an invitation to attend the reception of the Grammar Schools of the Ward, at the Normal College, on June 29th.

*On motion*, said invitation was accepted, and ordered to be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$250 to pay the bill of Guiry & Bro. for repairs caused by fire in G. S. Building No. 18.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$48.33 to pay the bill of the workshop for fitting up in Branch of G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for a site for a Grammar School on Lexington avenue, between 67th and 68th streets.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, transmitting a statement of the repairs required in the school buildings of said Ward.

So much as relates to buildings referred to the Committee on Buildings.

So much as relates to furniture referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

So much as relates to heating apparatus referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Frances R. Scott, G. D. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for permission to re-lease the premises occupied by Branch Primary of G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, submitting the award of contracts for the alterations, heating apparatus, painting, &c., in the school building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, and asking for an appropriation of \$15,284 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, submitting the award of contract for heating apparatus for G. S. Building No. 65 to John Neal, for \$2,300, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for repairs to heating apparatus in G. S. No. 68.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating Isaac B. Sprague for Principal of G. S. No. 66, and William Bixby for Principal of G. S. No. 67.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

## CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent, for the month of May, 1875, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, June 16, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

I have the honor to submit the following report, for the month of May, 1875.

During the month examinations have been held in the schools of the 1st, 2d, 3d, 14th, 23d, and 24th Wards, and part of the 12th and 22d Wards.

In these schools 368 classes were examined, of which the instruction in 178 was found to have been *excellent*; in 172, *good*; in 16, *fair*; and in 2, *indifferent*. The order and discipline in 260 of these classes are reported as *excellent*; in 88, *good*; in 19, *fair*; and in 1, *indifferent*. It will be thus seen that the instruction was found to have been commendable in all the classes examined, except 18, and the order and discipline in all but 20; this is to say, in about five per cent. of the whole the instruction and discipline were found to be defective.

The monthly returns of the Principals show an aggregate register number of pupils of 110,196, and an average attendance of 99,873, which is 5,702 in excess of the number reported in May last year.

The total number of days lost by the absence of teachers during the month was 1568.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,  
*City Superintendent.*



*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

A communication relative to violations of the by-law forbidding corporal punishment by certain teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
New York, June 16, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from the 2d to the 15th of June, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the agents was 678.

Of this number 275 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 113 whose residence could not be found, leaving 290 truants and non-attendants, of which number 235 have been placed in school, 10 committed by Police Justices to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, and 45 withdrawn from school.

On the 12th inst. an official communication was received from the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, stating that John Joyce, committed May 8th, Charles Rice, committed June 7th, Jas. H. Harrison, committed June 8th, and James McTearnan, committed June 10th, had made their escape from Randall's Island. None of these boys have as yet been retaken.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

# SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	144	
“ “ “ sickness.....	102	
“ “ “ poverty.....	29	
“ “ whose residence could not be found...	113	
Total number not classed as truants.....		388
No. of children found to be truants.....	115	
“ “ “ habitual truants.....	45	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	130	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants		290
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Total number of cases investigated.....		678
No. of truants returned to school.....	101	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	26	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	106	
“ children withdrawn from school.....	45	
“ children committed to Randall's Island by police justices.....	10	
“ destitute children supplied with clothing by institutions and individuals, and thereby enabled to attend school.....	2	
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Total number of cases disposed of.....		290

*Ordered* That said report be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

A communication transmitting the application of James McGinnis for the release of his son, Edward McGinnis, restrained under the compulsory law.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Hon. Diedrich Willers, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting a copy of the law relative to lots for school purposes, as follows :

## CHAPTER 484.

AN ACT authorizing and empowering the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York to assign to the Board of Education certain property to be used for school purposes.

Passed June 5, 1875, three-fifths being present.

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

SECTION 1.—The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York are hereby authorized and empowered to assign to the Board of Education of the City of New York such property belonging to said city, and situate between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets and Lexington and Third avenues, or as much thereof as they may deem suitable for the erection of an edifice for a grammar or primary school, and on such conditions as they shall deem proper, and for the use of said Board.

SECTION 2.—This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATE OF NEW YORK, }  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. } ss.

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and the seal of office of the Secretary of State, at Albany, this seventh day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

DIEDRICH WILLERS, JR.,

*Secretary of State.*

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

From Hon. A. H. Green, Comptroller, transmitting the protest of David Milliken against the action of the Committee on Supplies in the award of the contract for wood.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From David Milliken, a protest against the award of the Committee on Supplies of the contract for wood for the year ending June 1, 1876.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

The bill of Nathaniel Johnson, for extra work done and materials, &c., furnished G. S. No. 66, amounting to \$349.31.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From F. J. Twomey, Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a resolution of the Board relative to closing Primary Schools in the afternoon.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Col. Emmons Clark, Secretary of the Board of Health, transmitting a resolution of that Board relative to the abattoir proposed to be erected in the Twenty-second Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From James F. Sullivan, asking that his son may be released from "restraint" under the compulsory law.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with power. .

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received a communication from Miss Sarah A. Seeley, Secretary of the Committee of Arrangements for the Reunion at the Fortieth Anniversary of the connection of Miss Caroline F. Whiting, P. of F. D. G. S. No. 14, with that school, asking that the teachers in the several public schools who graduated at No. 14 may be permitted to attend said reception, without affecting their record of attendance.

Commissioner HERRING moved that said permission be granted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received a communication from the Board of Health, transmitting a list of localities in which cases of small pox were known to exist, and that under his direction the Clerk had notified the school officers of the several wards named, and the Principals of schools in the localities designated.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That on the school days immediately preceding the Fourth day of July and the twenty-second day of February, in each and every year, the Principals of all the Common Schools of this City be, and they are hereby directed to assemble the pupils of their respective schools, and read, or

cause to be read to them, either the “ Declaration of Independence,” or “ Washington’s Farewell Address to the People of the United States,” combining therewith such other patriotic exercises as may be advisable.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That at the next stated meeting of the Board the Superintendent of Truancy endeavor to explain the strange discrepancy which exists between the Police returns relative to children in the City of New York, as given in his report of 2d June, 1875, and the return of the City Superintendent relative to children attending the Public Schools of the City of New York, for the month ending 30th April, 1875 :

(As examples of those discrepancies the following are given) :

Total children in the City of New York between the ages of 8 and 14, as given by the Police.....	107,057
Total number of pupils enrolled in Primary and Grammar Schools, exclusive of Model School.....	108,505
Total average attendance.....	97,526
While, by the Police returns, as given by the Superintendent of Truancy, on 2d June, the total number of children attending the Public Schools is only.....	70,848
Or 27,000 less than the average number attending in April, as given by the City Superintendents.	

*Resolved*, Further, that at the next stated meeting of the Board the Superintendent of Truancy explain fully the meaning of the term “ Number of children withdrawn from School.”

Under this heading, in his return for the

5th of May, were.....	33 Children
19th " " .....	29 "
2d June " .....	74 "

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Whereas*, William B. Clarke has been employed in Male Grammar School No. 21, Fourteenth Ward, since February 19th, 1874 ; and,

*Whereas*, It has been ordered by the Committee on Teachers that his services in said school be discontinued from and after the first day of July next, owing to an excess of teachers in said ward ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Teachers be, and they are hereby authorized to direct the payment of the salary of the said Wm. B. Clarke during the approaching summer vacation, if, in their judgment, the facts of the case will warrant the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Truancy be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered, upon the approval of the President of the Board of Education, or, in his absence, upon the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications, and of the Committing Magistrate, to procure the release from the custody of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction and the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents in

the City of New York on Randall's Island, any children that have been or may hereafter be committed to the care of said Commissioners or Society, under the provisions, arrangements, rules and regulations concerning habitual truancy in the City of New York, pursuant to Chapter 421, of the Laws of 1874.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from Charles H. Willson, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Nineteenth Ward, recommending that said resignation be accepted, and that the vacancy be filled by appointing Eugene H. Pomeroy, residing at No. 48 West Fifty-fifth street, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the resignation of Charles H. Willson, as Trustee of Common Schools for the Nineteenth Ward, be hereby accepted, and that Eugene H. Pomeroy, residence No. 48 West Fifty-fifth street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Nineteenth Ward, *vice* Willson, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January (1880) eighteen hundred and eighty, said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, Chapters 112 and 215 of the Laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
C. V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		



The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

*Nays*—Commissioners Kelly and Patterson—2.

Commissioner Wood presented a report [from the Committee on Normal Schools, approving sundry bills for apparatus, &c., supplied the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

James W. Queen & Co., Apparatus, Department of Physics .....	\$20 26
M. Bass, Agt., Apparatus, Department of Physics....	30 83
E. B. Benjamin, Apparatus, Department of Physics...	11 60
New York Calcium Light Co., Supplies, Department of Physics.....	13 90
New York Calcium Light Co., Supplies, Department of Physics .....	15 90
Robert Spice, Apparatus, Department of Physics.....	21 00
T. H. McAllister, Apparatus, Department of Physics...	5 00

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\$118 49

James W. Queen & Co., Apparatus, Department Natural Science.....	\$44 20
James W. Queen & Co., Apparatus, Department Natural Science.....	25 00

M. Bass, Agent, Apparatus, Department Natural Science 46 16

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\$115 39

Wm. Wood, Albert Klamroth, J. M. Halsted, Lawson N. Fuller, R. W. Townsend,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the placing of "storm doors" to each of the outside doors of the Normal College building, and asking that an appropriation, not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500), be made for the above purpose.

WILLIAM WOOD, ALBERT KLAMROTH, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred a communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking that Miss Rose M. O'Neil, Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 23, be transferred from said school to the Principalship of Primary School No. 2, adverse to said request, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the request of the Board of Trustees of the Sixth Ward, to transfer Miss O'Neil from the Principalship of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 23 to that of Primary School No. 2, be not complied with.

J. M. HALSTED, FERDINAND TRAUD, J. D. VERMILYE, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Commissioner Wood moved that the report be recommitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of Twelfth Ward, relative to transferring Elijah A. Howland from Principal of Grammar School No. 43 to Principal of Male Department of new school in 128th street; and Miss Susan S. Edney from Principal Primary School No. 38 to Principal Primary Department of new school in 128th street; and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to transfer Elijah A. Howland from Principal of Grammar School No. 43 to Principal of the new Grammar School in 128th street, and Miss Susan S. Edney from Principal of Primary School No. 38 to Principal of Primary Department of new Grammar School in 128th street, without diminution of salary.

J. M. HALSTED, FERDINAND TRAUD, J. D. VERMILYE, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT requested Commissioner Beardslee to take the chair.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the report be recommitted, and that the Committee be instructed to report at this session, before the Board adjourns.

Commissioner WEST moved that the report be recommitted without instructions.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committees on Buildings, School Furniture, and Warming and Ventilation, to whom were referred, separately, the subjects of the communications from the Trustees of the several wards, stating what repairs are necessary to the several buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus, during the coming vacation; recommending that the Trustees of the Wards named in the resolution appended be authorized to advertise for proposals for the extra repairs to buildings, etc., required to be done by contract; and that an appropriation of the sum of twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$21,500) be made for the repairs estimated to cost in each case less than \$200, and the making of which repairs are not required to be advertised for; and accompanied with the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the several wards be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for the necessary repairs to buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus, in the various schools of their respective wards, including painting and the furnishing of new articles and materials, to complete the repairs and alterations in a proper manner, as follows:

2d Ward, For repairs, heating apparatus in Primary School No. 34.

5th " For repairs to Grammar School No. 44.

6th " " " " No. 23 and 24.

7th " " " " No. 12.

8th " " " " No. 8.

9th Ward, For repairs to heating apparatus in Primary School No. 7.

10th " For repairs to Grammar School No. 20.

12th " " " " Nos. 6, 39, 54.

13th " " " " No. 4 and Primary School No. 20.

15th " For repairs to Grammar Schools Nos. 35 and 47, and repairs to heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 47.

16th " For repairs to heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 11.

17th " For repairs to Primary School No. 22.

18th " " Grammar " Nos. 40 and 50.

19th " " " " " 18 and 53.

20th " " " " " No. 32 and Primary School No. 27.

21st " For repairs to heating apparatus in Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49.

22d " For repairs to Grammar School No. 17, and repairs to heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 58.

24th " For repairs to Grammar Schools Nos. 63 and 65.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, (except in cases of repairs to heating apparatus, by the Engineer of the Board,) and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the appropriate Committees.

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$21,500) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for

repairs to buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus, in the respective Wards, to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, the Engineer of this Board, and the appropriate Committees of this Board, in sums less than two hundred dollars (\$200), for any one piece of work done at one time; the bills in each case to be submitted to this Board for its approval before payment.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

*Ordered*, That the second resolution be referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to leasing the premises adjoining Primary School No. 33, No. 220 East Seventy-fifth street, adverse to granting said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to lease the premises No. 220 East Seventy-fifth street, adjoining Primary School No. 33, be, and the same is hereby denied.

S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to the contract made by the Trustees of the Sixth Ward with Wm. B. Mott, for repairs, painting, &c., in the several schools in 1873; stating that Mr. Mott had declined to accept the basis of settlement proposed by the Committee, (see Journal of April 21st, p. 276); that the Committee had reconsidered the said matters, and that an adjustment had been made, which Mr. Mott accepts as satisfactory, and accompanied with the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted by this Board, and found on page 276 of the Journal, relative to deducting fifty dollars (\$50) from the last instalment due William B. Mott on his contract for repairs, &c., in the Sixth Ward, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

*Resolved*, That a deduction of fifty dollars (\$50) be made from the last instalment due William B. Mott, on his contract for repairs, painting, &c., Grammar School No. 24, and Primary School Nos. 2 and 8, in the Sixth Ward, made in 1873, and that the balance of the last instalment be paid, provided Mr. Mott gives security satisfactory to the officers of this Board that he will put up the stairway in Primary School building No. 2, in accordance with the specifications attached

to the contract, for the sum of fifty dollars (\$50), in the course of two years' time, whenever he may be called upon to do so.

S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to alterations, etc., to Grammar School Building No. 16 ; adverse to making the alterations asked for, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, for alterations, &c., to Grammar School Building No. 16, be, and the same is hereby denied.

S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication



from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to the rebuilding of Grammar School Building No. 36, recently destroyed by fire; the Committee recommend that this Board make application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an additional apportionment of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) for the purpose of enlarging the site now in possession of the Board, in Ninth street, near Avenue C, and for rebuilding Grammar School Building No. 36 on that site, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That application be made to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an additional apportionment of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) for the purpose of increasing the size of the site now in possession of this Board, located in Ninth street, near Avenue C, and for rebuilding Grammar School Building No. 36, recently destroyed by fire, on said site.

S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	} Committee on Buildings.
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to leasing premises No. 214 East Forty-second street, for a term of four years from May 20, 1875, stating that the Board of Education, at a meeting held May 19 (Journal, p. 344), authorized the Trustees to

hire said premises for a term of one year, with a privilege of renewal for one year; that there is another building occupied as a branch of Grammar School No. 27, and it is requisite that the lease of the two buildings should expire at the same time; submitting the following resolutions for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted by this Board, and found on page 344 of the Journal, relative to hiring premises No. 214 East Forty-second street, be, and the same is hereby recinded.

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to lease the premises No. 214 East Forty-second street for a term of four years from May 20, 1875, at an annual rent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be occupied as a branch of Grammar School No. 27.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
C. V. LEWIS,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to making application to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to set apart for a Grammar School site the lots on east side of Lexington avenue, extending from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth streets, recommending that the application of the Trustees be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to set apart for a Grammar School site the lots on the east side of Lexington avenue, extending from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth streets.

(See Chap. 484, Laws of 1875. See Journal of this date, p. 416.)

S. P. PATTERSON, LAWSON N. FULLER, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Principal and Assistant Teachers of late Colored School No. 6, relative to being paid their salaries for the month of July and August; and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the resolution relative to discontinuing Colored School No. 6, and found on page 244 of the Journal, be amended by striking out the words "until the first day of July next," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "until the first day of September next."

EDWARD O. JENKINS, S. P. PATTERSON, HENRY P. WEST, DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred the communication from M. J. Farrell, Secretary of the Board of the *City Record*, relative to the designation by said Board of certain newspapers in which advertisements may be inserted, and submitting the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the communication of M. J. Farrell, Secretary of the Board of the *City Record*, relative to the designation by said Board of certain newspapers in which advertisements may be inserted, and that it be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, relative to furnishing coal to the schools under the control of the Board of Education for the year ending June 1st, 1876, stating that in reply to the readvertisement for

proposals, made in the usual form, the Committee had received six bids, as follows :

Heckscher & Co., at the rate of.....	\$7 45	per ton
Fredk. C. Oakley, at the rate of.....	7 50	“
H. F. Vandenhooft, at the rate of.....	7 64	“
W. P. Collins, at the rate of.....	7 33	“
Benjamin A. Lyon, at the rate of.....	7 71	“
Ward, Talbot & Olyphant, at the rate of	7 50	“

The Committee deem it for the public interest not to accept any of them, and submit for adoption the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the bids received by the Committee on Supplies, for furnishing coal to the public schools during the ensuing year (from June, 1875, to June, 1876), be rejected, it not being deemed for the public interest to accept any one of them.

*Resolved*, further, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are authorized to readvertise for coal for the public schools for the year ensuing, from June, 1875, to June, 1876.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
J. M. HALSTED,	
DAVID WETMORE,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
WM. WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, for permission to occupy Grammar School No. 22 for a Male Evening School, recommending that the authority asked for by the Trustees be granted, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to occupy Grammar School building No. 22 for a Male Evening School, in place of Grammar School building No. 36, destroyed by fire.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, J. D. VERMILYE, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for authority to establish a Male Evening School in Grammar School building No. 4, recommending that said application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, for authority to establish a Male Evening School in Grammar School building No. 4, be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, J. D. VERMILYE, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The **PRESIDENT**, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**Commissioner MATHEWSON** presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, submitting the following resolution confirming the nominations made for positions in the Evening High School, for the term of 1875 and 1876:

*Resolved*, That the following-named persons be, and they hereby are appointed instructors in the Evening High School, for the term of 1875 and 1876:

Jared S. Babcock—Principal.

Jacob T. Boyle—General Assistant.

Thomas Greenwood—Latin and English Literature.

Arthur Murphy—Political Science, etc.

Charles Roberts, Jr.—Reading and Declamation, three nights per week.

LaFayette Olney—Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry.

William J. Goldey—Grammar and Composition.

Elijah A. Howland—Philosophy, Chemistry and Astronomy.

B. D. L. Southerland—Penmanship.

Frank Melville—Free-Hand Drawing.

Thomas C. Williams—Architectural and Mechanical Drawing.

C. F. Hartmann—Book Keeping.

Gillespie Miller—“

Andrew J. Whiteside—“

Edward H. Boyer--“

Wilbur F. Hudson—Arithmetic.

George H. Moore—“

Hugh Carlisle—“

Adam E. Schulte—French.

Frank Daulte—“

Hugo R. Hutten—German.

William C. Hess—“

J. Harvey Dew, M. D.—Anatomy and Physiology.

Alberto de Tornos—Spanish.

George White—Phonography.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
J. D. VERMILYE,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-laws Elections and Qualifications, relative to the “Corporate Control and Disbursement” of the school money by the Board of Education, as follows:

*To the Board of Education:*

In the matter of the resolution adopted on the 19th day of May, 1875, as follows:

*Whereas*, By a decision of the Supreme Court, rendered October, 1874, General Term, in the case of J. Kedian and Another, respondents, *against* William H. Neilson, President of the Board of Education, and Others, appellants, it is declared that “The Board of Education was not a Department of the Municipal Government of the City of New York, and the provisions of the Charter of 1873, in reference to the payment of moneys from the City Treasury, did not apply to that Board,” and “that by the Act of 1873 the Board of Education was . . . a distinctive educational branch of gov-



ernment, and was not made a part of the General City Government," and that the several acts therein referred to contemplate that moneys required for the purposes of the Board of Education . . . shall be drawn out from the Treasury of the City only by draft of the President of said Board of Education, countersigned by the Clerk of said Board ;" and,

*Whereas*, It is manifest that the present system of payments through the Comptroller is of no pecuniary or other advantage to the City, but the contrary, inasmuch as a large additional expenditure is caused by the employment by the Comptroller of a clerical force for revising the expenditures of this Board, after the careful revision they receive from its proper committees, and the officers necessarily employed for this purpose ; and,

*Whereas*, Such system of payment is opposed to the decision of the Supreme Court herein quoted ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-laws, etc., be, and they hereby are instructed to report to this Board, at its next stated meeting, what measures are necessary to be taken to enforce the right of this Board to the corporate control and disbursement of the funds apportioned for the purposes of public instruction, and which control and direct disbursement are important obligations of the Board, imposed upon it by the laws of the State, as decided by the late decree of the Supreme Court.

—The Committee on By-laws, etc., respectfully report,

That at the request and by the advisement of said Committee, the Chairman, Commissioner R. W. Townsend, addressed a letter to the Comptroller of the City, requesting him to place the moneys raised for the use of the Board of Education to its credit with the Chamberlain, as was the practice before he

adopted a different method, viz : the payment by himself of all the salaries and bills ; and requesting an answer before the meeting of the Board.

That, in reply to said communication, the Comptroller returned the accompanying answer, to wit :

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }  
CITY OF NEW YORK, June 2, 1875. }

R. W. TOWNSEND, Esq., *Chairman Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, of the Board of Education :*

SIR—In answer to yours of the 28th instant, requesting to be informed before the meeting of your Committee, on Wednesday next, whether this department will comply with the requisitions which the Board of Education may make, from time to time, to place the school moneys to its credit with the Chamberlain, it is obviously proper that the payments from the City Treasury should be made upon one uniform system. The existing method of auditing and paying the claims of the Board of Education was fixed upon in order to make the payments conform to the mode adopted in relation to all departments and offices of the City Government.

I should, of course, object to changing the method now established in relation to such payments, except upon a complete investigation of the whole subject, and an authorized declaration of the law.

In respect to all payments required to be made from the City Treasury, whatever system I may prefer must, of course, yield to the law, and should your Board deem it necessary to take proceedings in the Courts to change the method of paying the schools, I should wish to appear and present the full question, in order that the matter may be intelligently passed upon by the Courts.

Very respectfully,

ANDREW H. GREEN,  
*Comptroller.*

That thereafter, and at a regular meeting of the Board of Education, held on the 2d day of June, 1875, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

*Resolved*, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) from the fund appropriated for public instruction for the year 1875, subject to the drafts of this Board on and after this date.

A copy of which was personally served upon the Comptroller on the 11th instant, by the Auditor of this Board, and a demand made that said money be placed with the City Chamberlain to the credit of this Board, and subject to its drafts, and that the Comptroller has not complied with said demand.

In view of these facts, the Committee, in order to enforce the right of this Board to the corporate control and disbursement of the funds apportioned for the purposes of public instruction, and which control and direct disbursement are important obligations of this Board, imposed upon it by the laws of the State, as decided by the late judgment of the Supreme Court, respectfully submit for adoption the following resolution, viz:

*Resolved*, That proceedings by mandamus be instituted to compel the Comptroller of the City and County of New York to place with the City Chamberlain, to the credit of the Board of Education, and subject to its drafts, the unexpended funds apportioned for this year and preceding years, for the purposes of public instruction in the City of New York, in such sums and at such times as said Board may by resolution determine; and that the President of the Board of Education be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to employ counsel in behalf of said Board, to take proceed-

ings by mandamus, or such other proceedings as may be necessary to effect the purposes of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. TOWNSEND,	} <i>Committee</i>
A. P. MAN,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
HENRY P. WEST,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>By-Laws,</i>
	<i>Elections and</i>
	<i>Qualifications.</i>

June 6, 1875.

Commissioner WETMORE moved to lay the report on the table

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved to lay it on the table until the next meeting of the Board, which was accepted by Commissioner Wetmore.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner MAN moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the following:

“But it is the sense of the Board that the President of the Board should, in the first place, apply to the Comptroller, with a view to obtain an amicable adjustment of the matter in question.”

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner Man, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

■ *Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications, to whom was referred the bill of James McDonnell, for \$5,222, being the balance of contract price for mason work done under the direction of the late Board of Education of School District No. 1, Town of West Farms. The Committee, in order to protect the Board against all claims which may arise under this bill, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That this Board having audited and examined the claim of James McDonnell, for five thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars (\$5,222), find the same to have been legally incurred by the Board of Education of the late School District No. 1, of the town of West Farms, prior to the 1st day of January, 1874, and that the said bill is an obligation of the City, the payment of which is provided for by Sec. 8, Chap. 329, Laws of 1874.

*Resolved*, Further, that the Comptroller of the City and County of New York be, and he is hereby requested to pay said claim only upon the joint release of said James McDonnell and said George N. Williams, his irrevocable agent, with full power of attorney and Trustee for his creditors.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood--16.

Commissioner HERRING presented the following report from the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, relative to the study of music in the Public Schools :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books, respectfully report that they have had under consideration the subject of reorganizing the system of musical instruction in the schools under the care of the Board, in accordance with a resolution adopted on the first of April, 1874, and referred to the said committee.

The inefficiency of the present system of teaching music in the schools, and the inadequate results obtained by it, have frequently been communicated to the Board, and your committee, after careful consideration, are greatly impressed with the necessity of carrying into effect the suggestions hitherto made to adopt a system by which music will become a part of the regular course of instruction in all the Primary and Grammar Schools, to be taught in all the grades and classes of the same, in part by the regular class teachers, and under competent direction and supervision. In this way it is hoped that this department of instruction will be made thoroughly effective, and that the results attained will be commensurate with the large expense which has been annually incurred for this object.

With this view your committee present the following outline plan of organization for the consideration of the Board :

1. A Musical Director for the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, to be elected for a term of two years from September 1st, 1875, at an annual salary of \$4,000, said officer to take rank as an Assistant Superintendent, and as such to report to the City Superintendent.

2. Eight Assistant Musical Directors to be appointed, to take office on the 1st of November, 1875, at an annual salary of \$2,000 each, to act as Instructors of Music, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board, and to serve during the pleasure of the same.

3. On and after the 1st day of November, 1875, the positions of all special teachers of music in the schools to be declared vacant; the duties hitherto performed by said teachers to be devolved upon the musical directors and regular class teachers.

4. Instruction in music to be given in each class by the teacher in charge of the same, for a period of twelve minutes each day, at such times as may be designated by the City Superintendent.

5. All teachers under the employment of the Board, and below the grade of Principal, shall be required to attend one hour in each week upon the instruction in music to be given by the Assistant Musical Director; the time for such instruction to be so arranged that the teachers may attend at an hour after the regular school exercises, or upon Saturday of each week.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HERRING,	} <i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
ALBERT KLAMROTH,	
A. P. MAN,	
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

*Ordered,* That said report be laid on the table, and entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Joint Committee on Buildings, School Furniture, and Warming and Ven-

tilation, asking for an appropriation of twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$21,500), for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus, in the several Wards, estimated as costing in each case less than two hundred dollars (\$200), and stating that the Board has the "ability" to make an appropriation of this amount from the reserved fund.

The resolution submitted by said Joint Committee for the authorization of said appropriation will be found in the Journal of this date, page 426.

J. D. VERMILYE, JOS. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Joint Committees on Building, School Furniture, and Warming and Ventilation, as found on page 426 of the Journal of this date, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for Primary School No. 44, in the Twenty-third Ward, stating that the fund appropriated for Pianos is sufficient to enable the Board to comply with the recommendation, and submitting the following resolution authorizing the purchase:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of Primary School No. 44, in the Twenty-third Ward, at an



expense not exceeding the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), the same to be charged to the appropriation for Pianos.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
JOS. SELIGMAN,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioner Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the resolution adopted by the Board at the meeting held the 2d inst., relating to the matter of paying to the "Nursery and Child's Hospital of the City of New York" such share of the Common School Fund as it may be entitled to for the years 1874 and 1875, recommending a resolution appropriating the required additional sum of \$112.93, presumably authorized by Section 21 of the Act of 1864, and also a resolution authorizing the payment of nine hundred and forty-one dollars and twenty-four cents (\$941.24), the Board having the "ability" to appropriate this amount for said purpose.

*Resolved*, That an additional sum of one hundred and twelve dollars and ninety-three cents (\$112.93) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the fund apportioned to the Corporate Schools.

*Resolved*, That the sum of nine hundred and forty-one dollars and twenty-four cents (\$941.24) be, and the same is hereby apportioned to the "Nursery and Child's Hospital of the

City of New York," omitted in the distribution of the funds to the Corporate Schools in 1874 and 1875, said sum being apportioned, and hereby authorized to be paid in accordance with the requirements of Section 21 of the Act of 1864, relative to Common Schools of the City of New York, the said apportionment to be duly authenticated and filed with the Chamberlain of the City.

J. D. VERMILYE, R. W. TOWNSEND, R. G. BEARDSLEE, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of W. A. B. Wade, Janitor of Grammar School Building No. 22, for services performed by him during the time said building was being erected. The Committee deem said claim to be reasonable and proper, and recommend that it be paid from any unexpended balances of funds appropriated for 1873, and submit a resolution authorizing the appropriation of this amount.

*Resolved*, That the claim of W. A. B. Wade, Janitor of Grammar School No. 22, for extra services rendered from July, 1871, to April, 1873, in the care of buildings in Sheriff, Lewis and Second streets, then occupied by Grammar School No. 22, amounting to the sum of three hundred and twenty dollars (\$320), be, and the same is hereby approved for payment, and that the Comptroller is hereby requested to pay the

amount named from the unexpended balances of funds appropriated for the purposes of Public Instruction for the year 1873.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
JOS. SELIGMAN,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication of the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, on the award of contracts for fitting up and altering the premises No. 95 Attorney street, and for furnishing the same, to be used as a branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, to wit :

For fitting up and altering, to John H. Gottker, for...	\$1,470 00
For Furniture, to "The National School Furniture Co.," for.....	900 00
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	\$2,370 00

stating that the Board has the "ability" to appropriate this amount; the usual resolution in form in such cases is hereto appended.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand three hundred and seventy dollars (\$2,370) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for fitting up and furnishing the premises No. 95 Attorney street, to be occupied by a branch of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, but no part of said money to

be paid until the usual requirements of the by-laws and rules of this Board are complied with in respect to the form of the contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, and the payments to be made under said contracts.

J. D. VERMILYE, R. W. TOWNSEND, R. G. BEARDSLEE, JOS. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion —

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*



## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

*Absent*—Commissioners MAN, SELIGMAN, TOWNSEND and VERMILYE—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on June 16, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Second Ward, on the award of contract for a boiler, &c., for Primary School No. 34, and asking for an appropriation of \$600 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the management of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, on the award of contract for alterations and additions to G. S. building No. 38, and asking for an appropriation of \$27,555 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, on the award of contract for altering the heating apparatus in Primary School-house No. 7, and asking for an appropriation of \$500 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, relative to the award of contract for the heating apparatus for G. S. building No. 42, and asking for an appropriation of \$6,950 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

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Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

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From citizens of Harlem, asking for the establishment of a school for colored children in Harlem.

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Commissioner Wood offered the following :

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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

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Fifteenth Ward to this Board, complaining of houses of prostitution, situated in the immediate vicinity of G. S. No. 10, in Wooster street, be laid before the District Attorney of the City and County of New York, together with a copy of the preceding report, and that this Board earnestly request that he will take the requisite proceedings forthwith to procure the indictment and punishment of the occupants of said buildings, and also of such of the owners and lessors of the same as have heretofore, or may in future, knowingly lease or let their houses for the vile purposes for which they have been used."

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*Thereas*, The nuisance complained of continues unabated, and no effective steps appear to have been taken to put a stop to the daily and hourly open exhibition of painted, be-dizened and half-naked harlotry in Greene and Wooster streets, Fifteenth and Eighth Wards of this City, close by G. S. No. 10, and in the near vicinity of G. S. No. 8, G. S. No. 38, and Colored School No. 2, with their thousands of boys and girls ; and

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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

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*Whereas*, A Select Committee of the Assembly of this State is now sitting in this city, for the purpose of inquiring into the causes of the steady and rapid increase of crime, and the inadequacy of the proper authorities to cause its speedy suppression ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the members of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and are hereby appointed a Special Committee to wait upon the Select Committee of the Assembly now inquiring into the causes of the steady and rapid increase of crime in the City of New York, &c., &c., and to lay before said Select Committee of the Assembly the reports of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., of 21st January and 1st of April, 1874, and to take such further action in the matter as to the said Special Committee of this Board may seem proper and judicious.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Watkins & Guion, surveying, 24th Ward.....	\$ 25 00
Geo. H. Gosley, M. D., professional services P. S. 40..	9 00
Maas & Vahlen, frame for Com. Brown's Resolutions,	20 00
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising to May 29, 1875.....	265 60
Jos. Mackey, for "Mackey's Guide," 1 year .....	6 00

Geo. C. Marshall, evening papers, 6 months.....	12 50
James Watson, daily papers, 6 months.....	27 90
Slote, Woodman & Co., Stationery to May 26, 1875..	55 00
Wm. Hollingsworth, Books for Library.....	7 20
<i>Evening Post</i> , Printing, June, 1875.....	31 50
Cushing & Bardua, Printing to June 27, 1875.....	2,616 71
Chas. A. Berrian, services Supt. Truancy's Office, Resolution June 2, 1875.....	110 00

HENRY P. WEST, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the application of Brinckerhoff & Duthie to introduce their "Indelibly lined and Patent Slated Globes," and recommending that the same be added to the list of supplies to be furnished for the use of the schools.

WILLIAM HERRING, EDWARD O. JENKINS, WILLIAM WOOD, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	} <i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, relative to rehiring premises occupied by branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 62, in the Twenty-third Ward, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to re-lease the premises occupied by the branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 72, located in Washington avenue, near 158th street, for one year and two months from March 1, 1875, at an annual rent of five hundred and fifty dollars (\$550).

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to hiring the premises corner of Tenth street and Avenue D for the use of Grammar School No. 36, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to lease the premises known as the

"Strangers' Hospital," located corner of Tenth street and Avenue D, for a term of one year from July 1, 1875, at an annual rent of fifty-five hundred dollars (\$5,500), with the privilege of renewal for one year at a rent of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per annum; said premises to be occupied by Grammar School No. 36.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, requesting an appropriation for the purpose of making alterations to the floors and for new furniture in the rear class rooms of Grammar School building No. 42, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Tenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for repairs to the floors and for new furniture for the rear class rooms in Grammar School Building No. 42. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Super-

intendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for additional Primary School accommodation in said Ward, recommending that this report, in connection with the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, be referred to the Finance Committee; and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this report, in connection with the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for additional Primary School accommodation, be referred to the Finance Committee, for a report as to the funds at the disposal of the Board for the erection of new buildings, etc.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wetmore presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communi-

cation from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward for authority to advertise for proposals to furnish and fit up the premises corner of Tenth Street and Avenue D, for Grammar School No. 36, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals, in the usual manner, for furnishing and fitting up the premises corner of Tenth street and Avenue D, to be occupied by Grammar School No. 36, the old furniture in storage to be used to the best advantage in connection with said furnishing. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on School Furniture.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for fitting up and furnishing the Trustees' room in Grammar School No. 43 ; recommending that an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) be made for the purpose asked for in said communication.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
EDW. O. JENKINS,		
C. V. LEWIS,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

[July 7,

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the adoption of the following Rule, viz :

“ SECTION —. All female teachers holding licenses to teach in the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board shall be required to attend the Saturday sessions of the Normal College until they shall have had two years’ practical experience as teachers in the public schools.”

Wm. Wood,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
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J. M. HALSTED,

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Committee  
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Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting for adoption the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas, The Normal College and Model School Buildings cost as follows :

Normal College.....	\$350,000 00
Model School.....	120,000 00
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	\$470,000 00
and the furnishing, painting, &c., of both may be estimated at.....	70,000 00
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Making a total of.....	\$540,000 00

and as this large amount of property is located on one spot, and as the Board of Education possesses no other such large

amount of property in any other portion of the city, these facts do not, in the opinion of the Committee, justify it in becoming *its own insurer* of the Normal College and Model School Buildings, while they may justify it in the case of the various Grammar and Primary School buildings ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education be requested to take the matter of insuring against loss or damage by fire the Normal College and Model School Buildings into consideration, with a view to having said buildings insured in the sum of \$.....

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized and empowered to have a "Babcock Fire Extinguisher" placed on each floor of these buildings, at an expense not to exceed forty dollars (\$40) each.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, submitting amendment to Section 158, seventh division (on pages 180 and 181 of the Journal of 1875), so as to read as follows :

7. After admission, each boy will be furnished with the necessary articles of bedding, clothing and mess furniture, not to exceed in the aggregate cost the sum of thirty dollars (\$30) for each boy per annum. Such of his old clothing as is not suitable for ship's wear will be given to him to send home, if possible ; otherwise it will be returned and given to him upon his first vacation, or upon his final leaving of the school. All articles belonging to



the scholars will be marked with the owners' names. Each boy will be required to furnish such articles for his outfit as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee, and to deposit with the Superintendent of the School the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35), to be expended under the direction of the said Committee, in completing his outfit and furnishing him with such other articles as he may need during his school term.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Nautical School.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, stating that the school buildings occupied by the colored pupils require sundry repairs, painting, whitewashing, and the furniture and heating apparatus more or less renovation; and requesting that special authority be granted to them to make all the repairs, painting, &c., that may be necessary, to an amount not exceeding the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800), which the Committee ask to be appropriated.

EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Colored Schools.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
WM. DOWD,		
DAVID WETMORE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, on the award of contract for furnishing Coal, for the year ending June 1st, 1876, to James D. Leary, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are authorized to contract with James D. Leary for the Coal required for the use of the schools under the control of this Board, pursuant to his proposal, for the year ending June 1, 1876, at the rate of \$6.52 for Furnace, \$6.67 for Stove, \$7.08 for Egg, and \$6.12 for Nut Coal; being an average price of six dollars and fifty-four and one-third cents (\$6.54 $\frac{1}{3}$ ) per ton of 2,240 pounds, said Coal to be first-class White Ash, well screened and free from impurities; from mines of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company; and to be either hard or soft, as the Committee on Supplies shall direct; said James D. Leary to furnish sureties satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies for the faithful performance of said contract, and to deliver said Coal in every respect as conditioned therein, and in accordance with his proposal, with the By-Laws of this Board, and with the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
WM. WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Colored Schools, requesting an appropriation of \$1,800 for

repairing the buildings occupied by the Colored Schools; stating that the Board has the ability to make an appropriation of the sum named, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for incidental repairs to the premises occupied by the Colored Schools, to be expended for work not required to be done by contract, or in sums for any one piece of work done at one time, not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200); the bills therefor to be reported to the Board for its approval; the work to be done under the direction of the Committee on Colored Schools.

Wm. Dowd,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
R. G. Beardslee,		
Wm. H. Neilson,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward in the matter of the heating apparatus for the new building on 125th street; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That inasmuch as the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward have declined to enter into a contract with John Neal, for the heating apparatus, as awarded to him by this Board at the meeting held the 19th of May last, by the adoption of a

resolution, as recorded on page 355 of the Journal, that the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be, and they hereby are authorized to execute said contract, as so awarded, for the sum of seven thousand and seven hundred dollars (\$7,700), and that said Committee be, and they hereby are substituted in the place and stead of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, wherever said Trustees are named therein.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Kelly, Klamroth, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—10.

*Nays*—Commissioners Fuller, Herring, Jenkins, Lewis, Mathewson and West—6.

By unanimous consent—

Commissioners FULLER, HERRING and MATHEWSON explained their vote.

Commissioner Dowd moved that said vote be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd moved that said report be referred to a Joint Committee, to consist of the Finance Committee and the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Dowd to the chair.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, relative to the award of contract made by them for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School No. 65, to John Neal, for the sum of \$2,300, and stating that the Board has the "ability" to appropriate the amount asked for, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-three hundred dollars (\$2,300) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of procuring the heating apparatus required for Grammar School Building No. 65, in the Twenty-fourth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of the by-laws and rules of this Board are complied with, in respect to the contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the said Twenty-fourth Ward, and the payments to be made under said contract, and the time of the completion of the work.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, relative to the awards made by them for the mason, carpenter and painting work and materials, and for the heating apparatus required for completing the school building and premises in Thomas avenue, at Fordham, The awards were as follows :

For the mason work, to John McChristie, for.....	\$3,974 00
For the carpenter work, to James P. Isaacs, for.....	3,973 00
For the painting work, to Daniel P. Learing, for.....	676 00
For the heating apparatus, to Rutzler & Ives, for.....	6,661 00
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Total.....	\$15,284 00

and stating that the Board has the “ ability” to appropriate the sum required for this work, and that the consideration of the proposals made for furnishing the building, which varied from \$2,972 to \$3,894, was deferred ; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen thousand two hundred and eighty-four dollars (\$15,284) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the mason, carpenter and painting work and materials, and for the steam heating apparatus required for the school building on Thomas avenue, at Fordham, in Twenty-fourth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of the by-laws and rules of this Board are complied with, in respect to the contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the said Twenty-fourth Ward, and the payments to be made under said contracts, and the time for the completion of the work.

Wm. Dowd, R. G. BEARDSLEE, Wm. H. NEILSON,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Trand, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of Nathaniel Johnson for extra work done by him, on requisition of the Trustees, in connection with his contract for repairing and fitting up Grammar School No. 66, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, amounting to the sum of \$349.31, which, on examination, was reduced to the sum of \$338.04 ; stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the latter amount for its payment, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred and thirty-eight dollars and four cents (\$338.04) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Nathaniel Johnson, for extra work done in connection with his contract for fitting up, repairing and furnishing Grammar School building No. 66, in Twenty-fourth Ward ; said payment to be made in accordance with the rules of this Board governing contract payments.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, requesting an appropriation of five hundred dollars, for the purpose of procuring “storm doors” for enclosing the porches of each of the outside doors of the College building ; submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of having the outside doors of the Normal College building fitted with enclosed porches or “storm doors ;” the bills to be paid upon the approval of the Normal School Committee and the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the amount expended to be charged to the appropriation made for “Apparatus, Chemicals, etc., for the Normal College.”

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
WM. H. NEILSON,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the matter of the charges preferred by the City Superintendent against Miss Harriet A. Potter, an assistant teacher in Primary Department of Grammar School No.



12, and Miss Isabella Winslow, an assistant teacher in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 40, for a violation of the by-law in relation to the infliction of corporal punishment ; and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That a penalty of five days' pay from her salary for the month of August be imposed upon Miss Harriet A. Potter, an assistant teacher in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 12, for a violation of Section 44 of the By-Laws of this Board ; and, further, that she be reprimanded by the City Superintendent.

*Resolved*, That a penalty of three days' pay from her salary for the month of August be imposed upon Miss Isabella Winslow, an assistant teacher in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 40, for a violation of Section 44 of the By-Laws of the Board of Education.

J. M. HALSTED, } *Committee*  
EUGENE KELLY, } *on*  
WILLIAM DOWD, } *Teachers.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating Isaac B. Sprague for Principal of Grammar School No. 66, and William L. Bixby for Principal of Grammar School No. 67 ; recommending that the nominations be not confirmed, the attendance at said schools not being sufficient, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the nomination of Isaac B. Sprague for Principal of Grammar School No. 66, and William L. Bixby for

Principal of Grammar School No. 67, by the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, be not confirmed.

J. M. HALSTED, EUGENE KELLY, WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner WEST moved to amend the resolution commencing on page 426 of the Journal, relative to the appropriation of \$21,500, by adding at the end of the fourth line, after the word "the," the words "Trustees of the several wards."

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Auditing Committee be, and they hereby are authorized to expend for the distribution of the Annual Report of this Board, for the year 1874, such sum, not exceeding seventy-five dollars (\$75), as may be required for that purpose, the amount expended to be charged to the appropriation for the incidental expenses of the Board of Education, upon the audit of said Committee.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Commissioner Wood moved that the resolution found on page 389 of the Journal for 1875, relative to the groups of schools to be visited by the Commissioners, be taken from the table.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING moved to amend said resolution by striking out the words, "on and after the 1st July, 1875," in the second line, and also the words, "commencing on 1st July, 1875," in the fifth line.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board take up for consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the study of music in the public schools, as found on pages 443 and 444 of the Journal for 1875.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST moved to amend the report by striking out “\$4,000,” and inserting “\$3,000” as the salary of the Musical Director.

Commissioner HERRING moved to amend said motion by inserting “\$3,500.”

Commissioner BAKER moved that the report be laid on the table until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, then put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment as offered by Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee as amended.

Commissioner PATTERSON called for a division of the question.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Patterson, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Lewis, Patterson, West and Wetmore—6.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Traud and Wood—8.

On motion, Commissioner Mathewson was excused from voting.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the report be laid on the table until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

*Absent*—Commissioners KLAMROTH, LEWIS, SELIGMAN and TOWNSEND—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on July 7, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved that they be amended by striking out “Colored Schools,” on page 470, attached to the report of the Finance Committee, and inserting “Finance.”

Also, on page 475, strike out “Normal Schools,” attached to the report of the Finance Committee, and insert “Finance.”

Commissioner WOOD moved that the order relative to the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, page 455, be amended, and that the report be entered in full in the minutes of this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The report of the Superintendent of Truancy is as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
New York, July 7, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from June 17th to July 2d, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents was 1,155.

Of this number, 339 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 193 whose residence could not be found ; leaving 623 truants and non-attendants, of which number 557 have been placed in school, 4 committed by Police Justices, and 62 withdrawn from school.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

In compliance with the resolutions passed at the meeting of the Board held June 16, as follows :

“ *Resolved*, That at the next stated meeting of the Board the Superintendent of Truancy endeavor to explain the strange discrepancy which exists between the Police returns relative to children in the City of New York, as given in his report of 2d June, 1875, and the return of the City Superintendent relative to children attending the Public Schools of the City of New York, for the month ending 30th April, 1875.

“ *Resolved*, further, That at the next stated meeting of the Board the Superintendent of Truancy explain fully the meaning of the term, ‘ Number of children withdrawn from school.’ ”

I respectfully report that the discrepancy referred to in the foregoing resolution arises in part from the fact that the City Superintendent's report includes children between the ages of 4 and 21 years, while the Police returns include only those between the ages of 8 and 14 years. Another cause of the discrepancy arises from the imperfect manner in which the census was taken.

The explanation called for by the second resolution is best given by laying before you a detailed statement of all the withdrawals from school that have been reported by the Agents from March 1st to June 16th, and the causes thereof, as follows :

Gone to work.....	90
Left the city.....	44
Gone to the Protectory.....	15
"    "    Juvenile Asylum.....	12
"    "    other institutions.....	4
"    "    other than Public Schools.....	20
Committed for crime.....	1
To be taught at home.....	2
Taken from school by parents.....	4
"    "    "    on account of sickness.....	12
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Total withdrawals to June 16, 1875.....	204

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*



## SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by parents.....	183	
“ “ “ sickness.....	129	
“ “ “ poverty.....	27	
“ “ whose residence could not be found...	193	
Total number not classed as truants.....		532
No. of children found to be truants.....	225	
“ “ “ habitual truants.....	29	
“ “ “ non-attendants.....	369	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants		623
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Total number of cases investigated.....		1155
No. of truants returned to school.....	202	
“ habitual truants returned to school.....	19	
“ non-attendants placed in school.....	336	
“ children withdrawn from school.....	62	
“ children committed to Randall's Island by police justices.....	3	
“ children committed to Society for Reforma- tion of Juvenile Delinquents by police justices.....	1	
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Total number of cases disposed of.....		623

NOTE.—Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school, 38 have gone to work, 11 left the city, 4 sent to Juvenile Asylum, 2 sent to House of Refuge, 5 sent to Catholic Protectory, and 2 withdrawn on account of sickness.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Klamroth, asking to be excused from attendance at this session of the Board.

On motion, Commissioner Klamroth was excused.

Commissioners Vermilye, Dowd, Fuller, Man and Beardslee requested to be excused for absence.

*Ordered,* That said request be granted.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, making the award of contract for repairs on G. S. buildings Nos. 23 and 24, and P. S. building No. 8, to E. B. W. Hays, for \$4,880, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, making the award of contract for repairs and alterations in G. S. building No. 12 to Mahoney Bros., for \$1,570, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to the appointment and salary of Miss Lizzie F. Killeen, G. D. G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, making the award of contract for alterations and repairs to G. S. building No. 8 to Joseph Hopkins, for \$840, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Build

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward  
contract for repairs, &c., in G. S. build  
James P. Isaacs, for \$1,542, and asking  
said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh  
appropriation of \$700.45 for taking down  
ing No. 36, destroyed by fire.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward  
contract for repairs, &c., in G. S. buildi  
James E. Poole, for \$3,525, and asking  
said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward  
of contract

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, making the award of contract for alterations, &c., in P. S. building No. 22 to Terence Kiernan, for \$1,550, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, making the award of contracts for alterations in G. S. building No. 50 to James P. Isaacs, for \$460; and for furniture for G. S. No. 40 to the National School Furniture Co., for \$920, and asking for an appropriation of \$1,380 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, making the award of contract for repairs in G. S. buildings Nos. 18 and 53 to Cornelius Ford, for \$1,660; and for furniture for G. S. No. 18 to the National School Furniture Co., for \$260, and asking for an appropriation of \$1,920.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$181.71 for repairs, &c., in branch P. D. G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$89.51 to pay the bill of Guiry & Brother for carpenter work at P. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that an

additional class room be fitted up in branch P. D. G. S. No. 27, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$104.93 for ceilings in P. S. building No. 33.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, making the award of contract for furniture for G. S. No. 32 to Robert Paton & Son, for \$594.59 ; and for repairs to P. S. No. 27 to James P. Isaacs, for \$670, and asking for an appropriation of said amounts.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, making the award of contract for repairs, &c., in G. S. building No. 17 to Cornelius Ford, for \$1,500 ; and for work on heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 58 to John Neal, for \$840, and asking for an appropriation of \$2,340 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, making the award of contract for alterations, &c., in G. S. buildings Nos. 63

and 65 to H. & C. Clark, for \$2,160, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, making the award of contract for furniture for the school-building at Fordham to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$2,972, and asking for an appropriation of said amount.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for the establishment of an Evening School in the new school-house at Fordham.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Susan M. Jordan, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 66.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Hon. A. H. Green, Comptroller, relative to the estimate of moneys required for the year 1876, transmitting the resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, held June 24, 1875 :

“ *Resolved*, That the Comptroller be requested to notify the heads of all the City Departments, and the officers of the City and

County of New York, to prepare their 'Departmental Estimates' for the year 1876, in conformity with the foregoing provisions of law, and send the same to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment prior to the 1st day of September, 1875.

*Resolved*, That the officers of all institutions which may be entitled by law to allowances of money from the City and County of New York, be also notified by the Comptroller to send their estimates for the year 1876."

"In compliance with the foregoing resolutions, I request that you will furnish, prior to the 1st day of September next, an estimate in writing, conforming to all the requirements of Section 112 of the law referred to in said resolutions."

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Dr. E. R. Straznicky, Librarian Astor Library ; from R. B. Pool, Librarian Young Men's Christian Association ; from W. T. Peoples, Librarian Mercantile Library ; and from Justin Winsor, Superintendent of Boston Public Library, acknowledging receipt of the publications of the Board of Education.

*Ordered*, That said communications be placed on file.

From Messrs. Hamilton & Deering, relative to the award of contract for repairs, &c., to G. S. building No. 63.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Clerk of the Board, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with a resolution adopted at a

meeting of the Board, held on the 7th day of July, 1875, of which the following is a copy :

*Resolved*, That at the next stated meeting of this Board the Clerk be instructed to furnish the information called for by the following schedule :

Number of Male Principals in the Public Schools of this city, and the amount of their aggregate salaries for the year ending April 30th, 1875.

Number of Male Vice-Principals in the Public Schools of this city, and the amount of their aggregate salaries for same period.

Number of Male Assistant Teachers in the Public Schools of this city, and the amount of their aggregate salaries for the same period.

Number of Female Assistant Teachers in the Male Departments of the Public Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for the same period.

Number of Female Principals of the Female Grammar Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for the year ending 30th April, 1875.

Number of Female Vice Principals of the Female Grammar Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for the same period.

Number of Female Assistant Teachers in the Female Grammar Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for same period.

Number of Principals of Primary Departments and Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for the year ending 30th April, 1875.



Number of Vice Principals of Primary Departments and Schools of this city, and their aggregate salaries for the same period.

Number of Assistant Teachers in Primary Departments and Schools, and their aggregate salaries for same period.

Number of Boys in actual attendance in the Public Grammar Schools of this city on 30th April, 1875.

Number of Girls in actual attendance in the Public Grammar Schools of this city on the same day.

Number of Boys and Girls in actual attendance in the Primary Departments and Primary Schools of this city on the same day.

—I respectfully submit herewith a statement showing the number of Principals, Vice-Principals, and Assistants in the Male, Female and Primary Departments and Schools, and their aggregate salaries for the year ending April 30th, 1875 ; also, the actual attendance in the Male, Female and Primary Departments and Schools on the 30th April, 1875.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

54 Male Principals.....	receiving	\$160,750
41 Male Vice-Principals.....	"	101,500
102 Male Assistants .....	"	171,856
392 Female Assistants in Male Departments.....	"	333,200

44 Female Principals in Female Departments.....	receiving \$	83,860
42 Female Vice-Principals in Female Departments.....	"	53,790
410 Female Assistants in Female Departments.....	"	314,470
109 Principals of Primary Departments and Schools.....	"	173,328
84 Vice-Principals of Primary Departments and Schools.....	"	90,880
1,141 Assistants in Primary Departments and Schools.....	"	684,600
18 Male Regular German Teachers... ..	"	27,080
18 Female " " " ".....	"	13,034

The number of Boys in actual attendance in the Public Grammar Schools, 30th April, 1875, was..... 20,335

The number of GIRLS in actual attendance in the Public Grammar Schools, on same day, was..... 16,944

The number of Boys and GIRLS in actual attendance in the Primary Departments and Primary Schools, on same day, was..... 60,247

From Charles Crary, Trustee of Common Schools for the Twelfth Ward, relative to organizing schools in the new building in 128th street.

Commissioner PATTERSON, with the consent of two-thirds of the members present, offered the following resolution in connection with said communication :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to organize a Grammar School with a

Male, Female and Primary Department, to be located in the building recently erected, and situated in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, near Sixth avenue, said school to be known as Grammar School No. 68; the salaries of the teachers to date from the commencement of service.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

*Ordered*, That the communication relative to said school be placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner Wood offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and is hereby empowered to hire a scrub-woman for the Normal College, at a salary not exceeding \$25 per month, for the purpose of swabbing out the pans of the water-closets and washing the seats after each session of the College.

*Resolved*, further, That the said Committee be, and is hereby empowered to have a roller put over each basin in the wash-rooms of the College, and to provide a sufficient supply of roller towels to enable the Janitor to change them on each of the six days on which the College holds its sessions, and also to provide a sufficient supply of brown soap for the wash-rooms.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Wm. Hearn, Goulding's City Directory, Clerk's office...	\$ 5 00
L. D. Kiernan, postage, &c., to July 20, 1875.....	101 20

HENRY P. WEST, S. P. PATTERSON, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, requesting an appropriation of seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$761.58) to pay bill of John Roach & Son for "davits and hangers" furnished the ship *St. Marys*, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$761.58) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of John Roach & Son, for the construction of davits and hangers required for the ship *St. Marys*, the amount to be charged to the fund provided by the Act of 24th April, 1873, for the establishment and organization of a Nautical School.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Nautical School.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred, on the 16th of June, the communications from the Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Nineteenth and Twenty-first Wards, in relation to the selections of the parties to do the repairing proposed for the buildings in their charge, and for supplying heating apparatus, &c., stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the moneys asked for, and recommending that the action of the Trustees be confirmed, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of forty-eight thousand and five hundred and two dollars and twenty-three cents (\$48,502.23) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing and painting the school buildings, and for repairing and furnishing the furniture and heating apparatus required, as named herein ; the sum so appropriated to be applied in the specific amounts as described, and in accordance with the awards made by the Trustees, and hereby confirmed, viz :

8th Ward, G. S. 38, E. B. W. Hays, mason.....	\$6,300 00
Edward Gridley, carpenter.....	10,360 00

		Cornelius Ford, painting.....	950 00
		Rutzler & Ives, heating apparatus	5,850 00
		Nathaniel Johnson, furniture, (general) .....	2,695 00
		National School Furniture Co., furniture (assembly-room)...	1,400 00
9th Ward,	P. S. 7,	John Neal, heating apparatus....	500 00
10th	"	G. S. 42, Avery & Riggins, heating appar- atus .....	6,950 00
15th	"	" 35, John Mitchell, repairs, &c.....	1,300 00
	"	" 47, Thomas Falvey, " .....	1,649 00
	"	" 35, Robert Paton & Son, furniture..	1,461 00
	"	" 47, Nathaniel Johnson, " ..	874 00
	"	" 47, John D. Ottiwell, heating appar- atus.....	218 43
16th	"	" 11, John D. Ottiwell, heating appar- atus.....	922 00
19th	"	" 18, John Neal, heating apparatus....	6,490 00
21st	"	" 14 and 49, John D. Ottiwell, heating apparatus.....	582 80
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			\$48,502 23

But no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the respective Wards named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for the purposes named herein, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law ; nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certifi-

cate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred, at this date, the communications from the Trustees of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Tenth, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Wards, relating to the awards for the needed repairs to buildings, &c., to be done by contract, as selected by the said Trustees respectively from the proposals received in answer to the advertisements authorized by the Board, and stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to appropriate the sums required to cover these proposed contracts, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-six thousand five hundred and sixty-six dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$26,566.59) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing and painting the school buildings, and for repairing and furnishing the furniture and heating apparatus required, as named herein ; the sum so appropriated to be applied in the specific amounts as herein described, and in accordance with the awards made by the Ward Trustees, and hereby confirmed, viz:

6th Ward,	E. B. W. Hays, repairs, G. S. 23, 24, and P. S. 8.....	\$4,880 00
7th	“ Mahoney Bros., repairs, G. S. 12.....	1,570 00
8th	“ Joseph Hopkins, repairs, G. S. 8.....	840 00
10th	“ James P. Isaacs, “ G. S. 20, 42..	1,542 00
12th	“ James E. Poole, “ G. S. 39, 54..	3,525 00
13th	“ James P. Isaacs, “ G.S. 4, P.S. 20	3,595 00
17th	“ Terence Kiernan, “ P. S. 22.....	1,550 00
18th	“ James P. Isaacs, “ G. S. 50.....	460 00
“	“ National School Furniture Co., furni- ture, G. S. 40 .....	920 00
19th	“ Cornelius Ford, repairs, G. S. 18, 53..	1,660 00
“	“ National School Furniture Co., furni- ture, G. S. 18 .....	260 00
20th	“ James P. Isaacs, repairs, P. S. 27....	670 00
“	“ Robert Paton & Son, furniture, G. S. 32	594 59
22d	“ Cornelius Ford, repairs, G. S. 17.....	1,500 00
“	“ John Neal, heating apparatus, G. S. 58	840 00
24th	“ H. & C. Clark, repairs, G. S. 63 and 65	2,160 00
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		\$26,566 59

But no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the respective wards named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for the purposes named herein, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law ; nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of



said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

J. D. VERMILYE, } *Finance*  
WM. DOWD, } *Committee.*  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, }

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Second Ward, relative to an award made by them to Rutzler & Ives, for furnishing a boiler for the heating apparatus in Primary School No. 34, for the sum of \$600 ; recommending that the award by the Trustees be not confirmed, and that the work be given to John Neal, the " lowest responsible bidder," for the sum of \$515 ; stating that the Board has the ability to authorize the appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred and fifteen dollars (\$515) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairing the heating apparatus in Primary School No. 34, the work to be done in accordance with the specifications prepared by the Engineer of the Board ; but no part of said appropriation to be paid until the usual requirements of the By-Laws and Rules of this Board are complied with in respect to the form of the contract to be entered into by the Trustees of the

Second Ward, and the payments to be made under said contract.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, requesting an appropriation of the sum of \$250, to defray the bill of Guiry & Bro., for repairs to Grammar School Building No. 18, in East Fifty-first street, damaged by fire in May last, stating that the Board has the ability to comply with the request of the Trustees, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Guiry & Bro., for repairs to Grammar School Building No. 18, in the Nineteenth Ward, damaged by fire in May last, said bill to be approved by the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, and that the Trustees of said Ward be advised that application should be first made to this Board for authority in all matters requiring them to incur an expenditure of over two hundred dollars.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to the policy of effecting an insurance against fire upon the buildings of the Normal College, and requesting authority to purchase Babcock's Extinguishers to be placed therein, recommending that one Extinguisher for each floor be purchased, at an expense not exceeding forty dollars (\$40) for each, to be placed in the Normal College and Model School buildings, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to procure and have placed in the Normal College and Model School buildings, one Babcock's Extinguisher for each floor of said buildings, at an expense not exceeding forty dollars (\$40) for each; the sum expended to be charged to the fund appropriated for "Apparatus, Chemicals, &c., for the Normal College," and the bills to be paid on the approval of said Committee.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>
WM. DOWD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum of seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$761.58) for the payment of the bill of John Roach & Son, submitted by the Committee on Nautical School at this date.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>	
WM. DOWD,		} <i>Committee.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as found on page 496 of the Journal of this date, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to purchasing two lots of ground on the west side of Grammar School No. 37, for the sum of \$7,250 each, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to purchase two lots of ground adjoining Grammar

School No. 37, in East Eighty-seventh street, be, and the same is hereby denied.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
WILLIAM HERRING,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred two communications from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward; one relative to purchasing *one* additional lot on Bedford street, adjoining Grammar School No. 3, and a subsequent communication asking for authority to purchase *two* lots on Bedford street, adjoining said school; recommending that said application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward to purchase additional sites in Bedford street, adjoining Grammar School No. 3, be, and the same is hereby denied.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
WILLIAM HERRING,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, proposing an amendment to Section 158 of the By-Laws, subdivision 7 (on pages 180 and 181 of the Journal of 1875), and found on pages 467 and 468 of the Journal; and recommending that the proposed amendment be adopted, to wit:

Amend Section 158, seventh division (on pages 180 and 181 of the Journal of 1875), so as to read as follows :

7. "After admission, each boy will be furnished with the necessary articles of bedding, clothing and mess furniture, not to exceed in the aggregate cost the sum of thirty dollars (\$30) for each boy per annum. Such of his old clothing as is not suitable for ship's wear will be given to him to send home, if possible; otherwise it will be retained and given to him upon his first vacation, or upon his final leaving of the school. All articles belonging to the scholars will be marked with the owners' name. Each boy will be required to furnish such articles for his outfit as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee, and to deposit with the Superintendent of the School the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35) to be expended under the direction of the said Committee, in completing his outfit and furnishing him with such other articles as he may need during his school term."

A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws,</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
		<i>Elections</i>
		<i>and Qualifications.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the adoption of a by-law requiring all female teachers who hold

licenses to teach to attend the Saturday sessions of the Normal College until they shall have had two years' practical experience as teachers, &c., &c.; and recommending that an amendment to the by-laws, as proposed by the Committee on Normal Schools, as found on page 466 of the Journal, be adopted as an addition to and amendment of Section 90 of the By-Laws, viz:

“ All female teachers holding licenses to teach in the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board shall be required to attend the Saturday sessions of the Normal College until they shall have had two years' experience as teachers in the public schools.”

A. P. MAN, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws,          Elections          and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the management of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 23, Miss Rose M. O'Neil, Principal; requesting the Board to reconsider its action taken at the meeting held June 16, relative to transferring Miss O'Neil to Primary School No. 2; stating that the Committee have given the Trustees full opportunity to state the grounds of their request, but had not been informed of any sufficient reason

why the Board should recede from its former decision; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board adhere to its former action in not complying with the request of the Trustees of the Sixth Ward to transfer Miss Rose M. O'Neil from Principalship of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 23 to Primary School No. 2.

J. M. HALSTED, EUGENE KELLY, WM. DOWD, J. D. VERMILYE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to the nomination and transfer of Principals to the several departments of the new school in 128th street, and other schools in the said Ward, accompanied with the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to transfer Elijah A. Howland from Principal of Grammar School No. 43, to Principal of Male Department of the new school in 128th street, and Miss Susan S. Edney from Principal Primary School No. 38 to Principal of Primary Department of new school in 128th street, without diminution of salary; also, Primary School No. 38 from its present location, 124th street, near Fifth avenue, to said department.

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to transfer Jacob S. Warner from Principal of Gram-



mar School No. 57 to Principal of Grammar School No. 43, be, and the same is hereby denied.

*Resolved*, That the nomination of Samuel Ayers for Principal of Grammar School No. 57, by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, be, and the same is hereby rejected, there being no vacancy.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WM. DOWD,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Dowd offered the following :

*Whereas*, It appears that the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, in their application to this Board for permission to use the new building on Thomas ave., for school purposes, have not apprised this Board of the character of the school or schools they desire to organize therein; and

*Whereas*, The alterations and fitting up of said building are in progress, with the intention, on the part of the Trustees, of having said building occupied at an early day; therefore

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Buildings ascertain and report to this Board the views of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward in reference to the occupation of said building, and what, in the judgment of said Committee, should be the character of the school or schools to be organized therein, to insure to the public the full benefits expected from its establishment; and that said Committee also communicate such information as they may obtain in connection therewith requiring the attention of this Board, and that the occupation of said building be deferred until such report is submitted and acted upon.

The PRESIDENT, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following:

*Resolved*, That inasmuch as it will require all of the months of August and September to complete the alterations of Grammar School Building No. 38, as authorized by this Board, the Trustees of the Eighth Ward be, and they hereby are empowered to grant an extension of time to the contractors for said alterations, until the 1st day of October next, to complete the same, and that the sessions of said school be omitted until that date, without detriment to the teachers now employed therein.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following:

*Resolved*, That in all cases of awards of contracts by any Board of Trustees, or by this Board, the Clerk shall notify the person or persons to whom the contract or contracts may be awarded, immediately after such awards shall be made or

reported to this Board, informing them that the written contract must in all cases be executed and approved in accordance with the By-Laws of the Board of Education prior to commencing the work or in any way entering on the performance of the contract or contracts; and that any deviation from this resolution by any contractor or contractors will be deemed sufficient to warrant the rejection or repeal of any award of contract or contracts so made.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted by this Board on 21st October, 1874, be amended by striking out the word "ten," and re-inserting the word "twelve," so that the By-Law on the subject of the age at which children may enter the *ordinary* evening schools shall be as set forth in the Manual of 1874, page 195, beginning at the third line from the bottom, "but no person shall be admitted who has not attained the age of *twelve* years."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board take up for consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Baker, relative to sewing in Primary Schools, as found on pages 383 and 384 of the Journal.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative as follows, two-thirds not voting in the affirmative :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Patterson, West, Wetmore and Wood—10.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Man, Mathewson and Traud—6.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Beardslee to the chair.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board take up for consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the study of music, as found on pages 443 and 444 of the Journal.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following as a substitute for the report of the Committee :

*Resolved*, That the provisions of Section 39, and all other sections of the By-Laws of this Board, relating to instruction in music in the Common Schools of this city, be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that from and after the 1st day of October, 1875, the salaries of all special teachers of music be discontinued, and their positions abolished.

Commissioner MAN moved that the whole subject be laid on the table until the first meeting of the Board in September, and that it be made the special order after the third order of business at said meeting.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, MAN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—15.

*Absent*—Commissioners BEARDSLEE, LEWIS, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SELIGMAN and TOWNSEND—6.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on July 21, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the transfer of the Female Evening School from G. S. building No. 31, to G. S. building No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh  
of contracts for fitting up and furnis  
36, and asking for an appropriation  
poses.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth  
for the Evening Schools.

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for the use of G. S. No. 68.

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From the Trustees of the Four  
teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Even

appropriation for the erection of a Grammar School Building in East Seventy-fifth street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Wm. B. Silber.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, relative to the transfer of \$70,000 as follows :

“ *Resolved*, That the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) is hereby transferred from the appropriation “Public Instruction,” for the year 1874, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the same title of appropriation for the year 1875, for which it is required.”

A true copy of resolution adopted by a concurrent vote of all the members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, at a meeting duly convened, held August 9th, 1875.

JOHN WHEELER,

*Secretary.*



From William C. Whitney, Esq., resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-first Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Charles F. McLean, Esq., resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the President of the Mairie du Panthéon, Paris, acknowledging the receipt of publications of the Board for the use of the Commission.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From Mueller & Neumann, relative to a gas saving apparatus.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From C. D. Nieman, relative to the clock on G. S. building No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From T. W. Nixon, asking permission to illustrate his system of Mnemonics to the children in the public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the "North German Festival Society," requesting the Board of Education to review said societies on Monday, September 6, at the City Hall Park.

*Ordered*, That said invitation be accepted, and the communication be placed on file.

From French citizens, asking for the establishment of an Evening School in the Fifteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner VERMILYE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the City Superintendent, Mr. Kiddle, send to the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the charges of the Principal of Grammar School No. 46 against the janitor, and the counter charges of the janitor against the Principal, and report the same to this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Whereas*, The salaries paid to the Assistant Teachers in the Common Schools are not graded according to any fixed standard of merit or length of service on the part of said teachers, but rest upon the judgment or predilection of the Ward Trustees for their adjustment ; and,

*Whereas*, Unjust differences prevail in the rates of compensation now paid to the Assistant Teachers in the several Wards, whereby teachers of the same grade and performing the same kind and quantity of labor receive different rates of compensation, in many cases the more deserving receiving the lesser salary ; and,

*Whereas*, It is highly proper and eminently just that teachers of the same grade and doing the same kind and quantity of work, should receive the same compensation ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Salaries and Economy be, and they are hereby instructed to investigate and report to this Board, a schedule or plan for adjusting the salaries of the Assistant Teachers in the schools of this City, so that a uniform system of payment to teachers in the different grades of the Grammar and Primary Departments shall prevail, as contemplated by Section 13 of the amended Act of 1851, of the Laws of the State.

*Resolved*, That the Chairman of the aforesaid Committee be instructed to call together the Committee, to consider and report upon the various matters heretofore referred to them from time to time.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Whereas*, Arrangements are now being made for a complete exhibit of the various systems of education in this and other countries, at the International Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, in 1876 ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study, &c., be requested to consider and report what measures are expedient and practicable in order to secure for the City of New York a proper presentation of its system of popular education, in all of its departments, at the aforesaid Exhibition.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Special Order of Business before the Board, in accordance with the resolution adopted at

the stated session held on July 21, was the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to instruction in music in the public schools.

Commissioner Wood offered the following as a substitute for the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as printed on pages 443 and 444 of the Journal for 1875:

*Resolved*, That an Assistant Superintendent of Music be appointed, to take office 1st November, 1875, at a salary of \$———, for the purpose of specially superintending the musical instruction given in the public schools, with a view to unifying and systematizing the same, and that he shall report to this Board, as on 31st December of each year, upon the state and condition of musical instruction, and its results, in the public schools, using, in reference to the latter, the same adjectives in his report as those designated sec. 80, sub-division 3, page 179 of the Manual ; and, further,

*Resolved*, That the said Assistant Superintendent of Music, by and with the consent of the Trustees of each Ward, and the consent of the Principal of each school or department where a teacher of Music is required, be, and is hereby empowered to select from any school or department of the Ward where more than one teacher capable of instructing in music is employed, and to exchange such selected teacher for any other teacher of like rank and equal salary in the school or department where a musical teacher is required ; and in any Ward where there is no surplus of qualified musical instructors, in any school or department in said Ward, then that the first vacancy be filled by a teacher having the requisite capability for instructing in music, such teacher to be taken from the qualified graduates of the Normal College holding licences to teach, and all qualified musical teachers, holding the position of musical instructoress in any school or

department, shall receive \$100 per annum in addition to the regular salary of her grade as teacher. Further,

*Resolved*, That all special teachers of music be, and they are hereby discharged from their positions in the Public Schools on and after 31st December, 1875.

Commissioner BAKER moved that the whole matter be re-committed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Baker, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the report of the Committee and all matters relating thereto be laid upon the table until the next meeting of the Board, and that it be the special order after the third order of business at said meeting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Herring, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending an appropriation of five hundred dollars (\$500) for introducing the apparatus of the "Eastern Gas Regulating Company" into the Schools under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of *five hundred dollars* (\$500) be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of the fund set apart for the incidental expenses of the Board; to be expended by and under the direction of the Auditing Committee, in purchas-

ing and putting into practical operation the machines or apparatus of the Eastern Gas Regulating Company, for controlling the flow of gas in such of the School Buildings as may be selected by said Committee. The bills so incurred to be presented to the Board of Education for approval on the audit of the Committee aforesaid; but said Committee shall not expend more than *one hundred and twenty-five dollars* for said machine or apparatus, including the same being put into practical operation, *on any one school building.*

HENRY P. WEST,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,  
FERDINAND TRAUD,

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*Auditing  
Committee.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Robert Paton & Son, Chairs, "Depository".....	\$ 20 00
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising to June 30.....	546 60
Wm. C. Bryant & Co., printing to July 23.....	57 00
Wm. C. Bryant & Co., printing to June 30.....	12 00
W. Varick, cleaning carpet, "Finance Department"...	4 00
Edward Higgins, cleaning Board of Education B'ld'g, July and August.....	115 00
Slote, Woodman & Co., Teachers Certificates, "Engraving".....	82 50
Cushing & Bardua, printing to August 10.....	251 50

HENRY P. WEST,  
S. P. PATTERSON,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
EDW. O. JENKINS.

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*Auditing  
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klainroth, Man, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Board, requesting said Committee to ascertain the views of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, in reference to the occupation of the new building on Thomas Avenue, and what, in the judgment of the Committee, should be the character of the school to be organized therein ; and recommending that the Trustees be authorized to complete the same, and submitting the following resolution for this purpose :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to organize a Mixed School of a Grammar grade, and a Mixed Primary School, in the new building on Thomas Avenue, by transferring the pupils and teachers of the school now known as No. 64 to said building, without detriment, on account of said transfer, to the salaries of the teachers now employed therein ; and that they be also authorized to transfer the pupils of Primary School No. 48 to said building, together with such of the teachers attached thereto as may be requisite for conducting the said school in accordance with the By-Laws and Rules of this Board ; and that said Primary School No. 48 be discontinued from and after this date.

*Resolved*, That the new school building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, be known and numbered as Grammar School No.

64, and that the building in South Fordham, corner of Avenue C and Second street, heretofore known as Grammar School No. 64, be relinquished to the financial authority of the city, and that the leased building on Hoffman street, known as Primary School No. 48, be transferred to the lessors, upon such terms as the Trustees may be able to effect.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
S. P. PATTERSON,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—14.

*Nay*—Commissioner Wood—1.

Commissioner WETMORE presented the following report from the Committee on Supplies :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Supplies, in accordance with Article 28, section 131, of the By-Laws, herewith submit a statement of the Supplies furnished through the Depository, for the year ending September 1st, 1875, giving the number of each book, chart or card, issued to the several schools during the year ending on that date.

All which is respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
WM. WOOD,		



Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, relative to the award made by them for the furniture required for the new building on Thomas avenue; stating that said award was made by selection from samples of furniture shown, and to the lowest bidder; also that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum named, and submitting a resolution in accordance with the award:

*Resolved*, 'That the sum of twenty-nine hundred and seventy-two dollars (\$2,972) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for furnishing the new school building on Thomas avenue, Fordham, in Twenty-fourth Ward; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of the By-Laws and Rules of this Board are complied with, in respect to the contract to be entered into with Nathaniel Johnson by the Trustees of the said Twenty-fourth Ward, and the payments to be made under said contract.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>	
WM. DOWD,		} <i>Committee.</i>
WM. H. NEILSON,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee

on School Furniture recommending an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for fitting up and furnishing the Trustees' room in Grammar School No. 43, in Twelfth Ward, stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum named, and submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for fitting up and furnishing a room in Grammar School Building No. 43, in the Twelfth Ward, for the use of the Trustees of said Ward; the bills to be paid upon their approval by the Trustees of the Ward and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance</i>	
WM. DOWD,		} <i>Committee.</i>
WM. H. NEILSON,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

*Nay*—Commissioner Traud—1.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills submitted by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for fitting up the premises used as a branch of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 27, and for repairs to Primary School No. 33—stating that the Board has the ability to make an appropriation of the amount requisite to pay the bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred and thirty-two dollars and seventy-six cents (\$332.76) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the following bills, viz :

Guiry & Bro., May and June, 1875, fitting up Branch of Grammar School No. 27, \$18.48, less overcharges deducted, \$3.21.....	\$15 27
Thos. Falvey for the same, May 29, 1875 .....	79 23
Workshop, for the same, May 1st, 1875.....	48 33

Total for G. S. No. 27.....	<u>\$142 83</u>
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Guiry & Bro., for repairs to P. S. No. 33, June 29, 1875, \$47.75, less overcharges \$2.25....	\$45 50
Guiry & Bro. for the same, May, 1875, \$41.76, less overcharges \$2.26.....	39 50
Thos. Falvey, for the same, May 21, 1875... ..	104 93

Total for P. S. No. 33.....	<u>\$189 93</u>
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said bills to be paid only upon their approval by the Finance Committee and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD, WM. H. NEILSON,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the

Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to the awards of contracts for fitting up and furnishing the premises leased for the use of Grammar School No. 36 :

For fitting up, to P. O'Reilly, for..... \$ 819 00  
For the furnishing, to Nath'l Johnson, for.... 2500 00

and stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate these sums, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of four thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars (\$4.319.00) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of fitting up and furnishing the premises on the corner of Avenue D and Tenth street, for the use of Grammar School No. 36 ; but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for those purposes with P. O'Reilly and Nathaniel Johnson, nor until the usual requirements of the By-Laws and Rules of this Board are complied with, in respect to the form of the contracts to be entered into, and the payments to be made under said contracts.

J. D. VERMILYE, } *Finance*  
WM. DOWD, } *Committee.*  
WM. H. NEILSON,

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners, Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore and Wood—  
15.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented the following report of the

Joint Committee composed of the Finance Committee and the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications:

*To the Board of Education :*

The Joint Committee, composed of the Finance Committee and the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Finance Committee, as submitted to the Board on the 16th of June last, in relation to the contract awarded by this Board for the heating apparatus to be supplied the new building in 128th street, and the objections made thereto by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, respectfully report, that upon the representations made to said Trustees by the Finance Committee, and at the request of said Committee, the Trustees have executed the contract with John Neal, as authorized by the Board in May last, thus removing all necessity for further action on the part of this Board, and your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Joint Committee on Finance and By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
WM. DOWD,	
H. P. WEST,	
A. P. MAN,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented the following report from the Committee on Normal Schools.

*To the Board of Education :*

At a meeting of the Committee on Normal Schools, held on the 30th day of August, 1875, the following preamble and reso-

Iutions were adopted, and are hereby submitted for the approval of the Board, viz :

*Whereas*, By Sec. 86, sub-division 3, of the By-Laws, (page 186 of the Manual,) it is stated that "It shall be the duty of the Committee on Normal Schools to nominate to the Board of Education for appointment such professors and other instructors as the necessities of the Normal College and schools may from time to time require," and

*Whereas*, There were on the books of the Normal College on 30th June, 1875, after deducting the graduates (161) and adding the admissions (688), 1,507 students, which would entitle it to fully 40 instructors, according to the ratio adopted for teachers and pupils in Grammar Schools, exclusive of Principals and Vice-Principals, and there are at present only 30 instructors, in addition to the President and Lady Superintendent ; and,

*Whereas*, The Department of French in the Normal College requires entire rehabilitation to put it on a par with the German Department as originally intended ; therefore,

*Resolved*, in the first place, That a French gentleman shall be appointed Professor of French, at a salary of thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per annum, and that to this office Eugene Aubert be appointed from the first day of September, 1875, at said salary, to be paid from the commencement of his services, and that he take his place as one of the Faculty of the College, and have special charge of the French Department, subject, like all the other professors and tutors, to the control of the President of the Normal College.

*Resolved*, in the second place, That an additional tutor in Latin be appointed at a salary of eight hundred dollars (\$800) per

annum, and that this office be filled by the promotion of a teacher from the Model Primary or Training School, provided any teacher there possess the necessary qualifications, and if there be none such, then the place shall be filled by competitive examination.

*Resolved*, in the third place, That the salaries of Madame Bassie, and Mademoiselle de Wailly be reduced from \$1,800 and \$1,680, respectively, to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, such reduction to take effect from first September, 1875, and that their appointments only continue during the pleasure of the Board; the appointment of a Professor of French rendering the position of these ladies less responsible than it has hitherto been.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

Sept. 1, 1875.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Man, Traud, West and Wood—12.

*Nays*—Commissioners Klamroth and Wetmore—2.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to increasing the salaries of sundry tutors in the Normal College, &c., and accompanied with the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the following additions be made to the salaries of tutors already employed in the Normal College, in view of their efficient and faithful services, and the low rates of salary at which they were engaged on trial, viz:

Miss Isabelle Parsells, Methods of Teaching, \$200, making her salary \$1,400 per annum.

Mrs. Eliza F. Chisholm, Calisthenics, \$200, making her salary \$1,000 per annum.

Miss Mary S. Kennedy, Penmanship and Book-Keeping, \$100, making her salary \$1,000 per annum.

Miss Ella C. Dey, Latin, \$100, making her salary \$900 per annum.

Miss Honora McDonough, German, \$100, making her salary \$900 per annum.

Miss Annie Baker, Drawing, \$100, making her salary \$900 per annum.

The foregoing changes being made, together with the salary of the Professor of French, as contemplated in the report of the Committee made on this day, the result as to expense would be

Salary of Professor of French.....	\$3,500
New Tutor in Latin.....	800
Increase of salary to Miss Parsells.....	200
“ “ “ Chisholm. ....	200
“ “ “ Kennedy.....	100
“ “ “ Dey.....	100
“ “ “ McDonough.....	100
“ “ “ Baker.....	100
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Increase	\$5,100



Less decrease in salaries of Madame Bassie and Mad'llie de Wailly, \$800 and \$680, as contemplated in the report of the Committee of this date.....	\$1,480
Total increase.....	\$3,620
instead of being on the basis of Grammar Schools, 10 Tutors at lowest rate, \$800.....	\$8,000

*Resolved*, That should there be a vacancy in the Model Primary School, the complement of teachers there be made up by the selection of the young lady who received the highest marks at the commencement of the Normal College, on 30th June, 1875, to fill the position of youngest assistant in said school.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, West and Wood—10.

*Nays*—Commissioners Dowd, Traud and Wetmore—3.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking for authority to pay sundry bills from the reserve fund of the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to expend from the two thousand five

Two hundred dollars (\$2,500) balance of the Special Reserved Fund of the Normal College, a sum necessary to pay the following bills, and to meet such other expenses of a like character which have been, or may be from time to time incurred, viz :

Halsted, Haines & Co., towelling.....	\$115	14
Woodbridge & Smith, Babcock extinguishers.	360	00
Colgate & Co., soap.....	2	25
Davis, Collamore & Co., soap stands.....	2	50
Scribner, Armstrong & Co., book prizes.....	126	97

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, ALBERT KLAMROTH, LAWSON N. FULLER,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Miss Lizzie H. Thompson for the position of Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 68, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Lizzie H. Thompson, nominated by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the position of Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 68, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is

appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, EUGENE KELLY, J. D. VERMILYE, WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Man, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—12.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications report to this Board, on or before the first stated meeting in October, 1875, such amendments to the by-laws having reference to the times of payment of the salaries of the teachers as will authorize the payment of said salaries for the annual school term of ten months by tenths instead of twelfths, dispensing with pay rolls for the months of July and August, said amendment to take effect from the first of January next.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, without instructions.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to close Grammar School No. 64

from the 6th day of September until the 17th of the same month, for the purpose of accomplishing the transfer of said school to the new school building now being fitted for the same, pursuant to resolution of this Board, and that said action be without any detriment to teachers' salaries.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*



## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—Wm. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

*Absent*—Commissioners LEWIS, MAN, TOWNSEND and VERMILYE—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on September 1st, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WOOD moved that they be amended by adding to the word “resolution” on page 532 the letter “s,” so that it shall read “resolutions,” in the seventeenth line from the top of the page.

Commissioner WETMORE moved to amend the amount set opposite the name of P. O'Reilly, in the fourth line from the top of page 527, by inserting so that it shall read \$1,819.00, as reported, instead of \$819.00.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes with the amendments proposed, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Joseph Seligman, tendering his resignation, as follows :

NEW YORK, 14th September, 1875.

*Hon. WM. H. NEILSON, President Board of Education :*

MY DEAR SIR—Upon assuming the duties of Commissioner of Rapid Transit, I was constrained to hand to his Honor the Mayor my resignation from the Board of Education.

I desire you to express to my colleagues my profound regret at being constrained to part from them, and to tender to them my best wishes for their welfare and for continued success in their noble mission. Accept for yourself my best wishes and regards.

I am, dear sir, yours very truly,

JOS. SELIGMAN.

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. Wm. H. Wickham, Mayor:—

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 15th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1873, I have this day appointed as a Commissioner of Common Schools of the City of New York, EDWARD SCHELL, in place of JOSEPH SELIGMAN, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said Joseph Seligman, which terminates on the 1st day of January, 1876.

Very respectfully,

W. H. WICKHAM,

*Mayor.*

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Thomas S. O'Brien for Principal of G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From a minority of the Trustees of the First Ward, protesting against the action of the majority relative to nominations of Principals for G. S. No. 29 and for the Evening School.

So much as refers to the Grammar School referred to the Committee on Teachers, and so much as refers to Evening School to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.



From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for the transfer of the Evening School from G. S. building No. 38 to G. S. building No. 8.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating Matthew Kane for Trustee of Common Schools in the Ninth Ward, *vice* Alfred C. Hoe, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for permission to advertise for proposals to rebuild G. S. house No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for additional settees in G. S. building No. 15.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Marietta Hogg, P. S. No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for the transfer of the Evening School from G. S. building No. 46 to G. S. building No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for chairs for G. S. building No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, notifying the Board that the premises lately occupied by P. S. No. 38 are no longer required.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Wm. H. Sieberg for Principal of G. S. No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for additional teachers in the schools of the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to have the branch of P. D. G. S. No. 4 made a full Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making the following nominations :

John T. Maguire, for Vice-Principal of G. S. No. 4, in place of Jacob S. Woodworth, resigned.

Miss Jennette Robertson, for Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 4, in place of Miss Albertine Cooley, resigned.

Miss Mary J. Blair, Vice-Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 4, for Vice-Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Caroline M. Tracy, V. P. P. D. G. S. No. 34, for Vice-Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Mary C. Finn, for V. P. P. D. G. S. No. 34, in place of Miss C. M. Tracy, transferred.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Sophie Block, F. D. G. S. No. 13.

Miss Jennie C. Savage, G. S. No. 19.

Miss Belle V. Flinn, P. S. No. 9.

Miss Mary E. Flinn, P. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, making additional nominations for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for additional teachers in the schools of the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$287.62 for sundry repairs in the school buildings of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for a piano in P. D. G. S. No. 64.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for book-closets for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for new gas service pipe for Evening School building No. 63.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, September 15, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to report that the several

schools under the care of your Board, with the exception of Grammar Schools Nos. 36, 38 and 64, recommenced their sessions on the 6th inst. Since that date, all these schools have, under the direction of the undersigned, been visited by the Assistant Superintendents, and an inspection made of their attendance, discipline and organization, and the condition of the school buildings and premises.

The returns made to me show that the schools closed on the 2d day of July last for the summer vacation, with an aggregate attendance of 83,222 pupils, and that, at the opening session, on the 6th inst., there were present in all the schools 91,913 pupils, distributed among the different schools as follows :

In the Primary and Grammar Schools.....	90,524
In the Colored Schools.....	709
In the Model School.....	680

At the opening session last year the attendance at these schools was 90,829, which shows an increase of attendance this year of 1,084. Had all the schools resumed their sessions the aggregate attendance as above reported would probably have been 3,000 greater, which is about equal to the attendance of schools that failed to reopen last September.

The new building in the Twelfth Ward was opened for the registration of pupils on the 6th inst., and on Monday last commenced its sessions with an attendance of 250 pupils in the Male Department, 186 in the Female Department, and 501 in the Primary Department. The attendance in the Grammar Department of No. 43 has been reduced about one-half by the opening of this school.

The condition of the school buildings and premises as to repairs and cleanliness is reported as generally very satisfactory. Grammar School No. 17 is, however, excepted, the Janitor of

that school, as is reported to me, not having attended properly to the cleaning of the building under his care.

A considerable number of the school rooms are overcrowded, especially among the Primary Departments ; and in the Eleventh, Seventeenth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, more than 1,000 pupils were refused admission for the want of accommodation. In some of the schools of these wards it will be necessary to transfer pupils from the Primary to the Grammar Departments before completing the primary course of instruction.

Of 2,417 regular teachers employed by the Board in the schools above referred to, 2,337 were present for duty on the day of opening.

The order, general appearance, organization, &c., of the schools, as manifested during these visits, are reported as in general very satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
New York, September 15, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report

of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from the 6th to the 14th of September, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents was 326.

Of this number 86 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 121 whose residence could not be found, leaving 119 truants and non-attendants, of which number 105 have been placed in school and 14 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school, 7 have gone to work and 7 left the city.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

The Police Commissioners having refused to detail the five men who were on duty up to the 1st day of July last, as Agents of Truancy, I respectfully request your Board to take into consideration the propriety of increasing the number of the Agents of Truancy. The Nineteenth, Twenty-second and Twelfth Wards, constituting the 7th school district, embrace an area of territory as large, if not larger, than the remaining portion of the city (exclusive of the annexed district), and contains over 26,000 children between the ages of 8 and 14 years.

This large district has but one agent, and it is a physical impossibility for him to do very effective work. I feel constrained to call your attention to this subject in order that this district, as well as the 8th (which has an equally large extent of territory), may be subdivided and agents assigned to the subdivisions, thus enabling your Superintendent more effectually to enforce the laws.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Supt. of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	29	
“ “ sickness.....	40	
“ “ poverty.....	17	
“ whose residence could not be found.	121	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		207
No. of children found to be truants.....	37	
“ “ habitual truants.....	10	
“ “ non-attendants .....	72	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		119
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Total number of cases investigated.....		326
No. of truants returned to school.....	26	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school.....	7	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school... ..	72	
“ “ withdrawn from school.....	14	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.		119

*Ordered,* That said report be placed on file and entered in full in the minutes.

On motion of Commissioner Herring,

*Ordered,* That so much as refers to the appointment of Officers of Truancy be referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :



From Abraham L. Earle, Esq., Deputy Comptroller, relative to certain payments under contracts.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From John Wheeler, Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, asking for the annual estimate of school moneys.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From C. Jerome Hopkins, an application for appointment as Superintendent of Music.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Alexander Graham, claiming damages to his premises by the falling of the wall of G. S. building No. 36, destroyed by fire on June 1st, 1875.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Commissioner Edward Schell, resigning the office of Trustee of Common Schools of the Fifteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Hilaris Cisueno, asking for Evening School classes for Cuban emigrants.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk be, and is hereby instructed to ascertain from the Principals of the schools, and report at our next stated meeting the names and numbers of the graduates of the Normal College employed as teachers in each school under the jurisdiction of this Board, with the date of the graduation of said graduates; and that, at the same time, the Clerk furnish a list of all teachers employed in the public schools who have not had an experience of two years therein.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Special Order, in accordance with the resolution adopted at the Stated Session held on September 1st, (p. 520 of the Journal), was the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to Musical Instruction in the Public Schools. (Journal, pp. 443 and 444.)

Commissioner Wood asked leave to withdraw the resolutions (pp. 519 and 520 of the Journal,) offered by him as a substitute for the report of the Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the request of Commissioner Wood, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER moved that the resolution offered by him, (p. 411 of the Journal,) be adopted as a substitute for the report of the Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioner Baker—1.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the amount of salary as fixed on page 479, be amended by striking out “\$3,500,” and inserting \$3,000 as the salary of the Musical Director.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved to amend the report by striking out the first section.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Patterson and West—4.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud and Wetmore—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner Wetmore, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners, Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Kelly, Mathewson, Patterson, West and Wetmore—9.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Schell, Traud and Wood—8.

Commissioner Dowd moved to amend section 2, p. 444, by

striking out “\$2,000 ” and inserting “\$1,500,” as the salary of the assistant Musical Directors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Kelly, Patterson and West—7.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Commissioner WEST moved that said section be amended by inserting “\$1,800 ” in place of “\$2,000.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Kelly, Patterson and West—7.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Commissioner WOOD moved to amend the second section, p. 444, by inserting after the word “Directors,” in the first line, “of whom four may be women.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—14.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker and West—3.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Musical Director, which was lost, two-thirds of the members not consenting to a suspension of the rules.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the designation of candidates for said appointments be referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner DOWD moved to amend by referring the subject to a Joint committee, consisting of the Committees on Teachers and Course of Study, &c.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Commissioner HERRING—

*Ordered*, That said Committee report at the next meeting of the Board.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had appointed Commissioner SCHELL to fill the vacancies on all committees occasioned by the resignation of Commissioner Seligman.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting the annual estimate for school moneys for the year ending December 31, 1876, as follows:

*To the Board of Education :*

The Finance Committee respectfully report that the communications from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, calling for an estimate of the amount of moneys that will be required by the Board for public school purposes, for 1876, together with that from his Honor, the Mayor, in reference to the same subject, and calling attention to the necessity of exercising strict economy in the administration of the affairs of the City Government, have received from your Committee attentive consideration.

The attention of the Committee has been especially directed to the purpose of confining the estimate to the lowest sum, with which, under the present arrangements of the Board, can possibly be conducted, such an extensive and growing institution.

To reduce it below that apportioned for 1875 will be found, upon a study of the several items forming the estimate, impracticable without first contracting its established scope, a process which would probably be so detrimental as to excite the disapprobation of the citizens most interested in the support and perfect development of this justly popular system of education, so well adapted to the various conditions and grades of our city population.

The details of the estimate have been arrived at by consultations with the several Committees of the Board, and the sums named are considered to be the least that will be required for the purposes to which they are to be applied.

The demand for more school buildings in the up-town districts, which has been pressed upon the Board with such persistent reiteration, is responded to in the estimate by a provision for erecting two buildings, and enlarging one in the 7th District, and for erecting one building in the 8th District.

The sum named for the salaries of the teachers and others is based upon the present by-laws of the Board governing the compensation of these employees, and though slightly in advance of last year in the aggregate sum, is barely sufficient to cover the present pay-rolls.

As the Board does not employ any "supernumeraries, unnecessary officers, clerks, or other employees," and allows no "exorbitant salaries," no reduction can be made in this respect.

A resolution embracing the estimates is submitted herewith for your consideration.

*To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the City and County of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the circular of the Comptroller, dated the 6th of July last, the Board of Education submits herewith to your Honorable Board an "Estimate" of the amount of moneys which will be required for the year (1876) eighteen hundred and seventy-six, for the support of the Public Schools in the (24) twenty-four Wards of the city.

#### ESTIMATE.

For salaries of teachers in the Grammar and Primary Schools.....	\$2,275,000 00
For salaries of janitors in the Grammar and Primary Schools .....	125,000 00
For salaries of professors, tutors, &c., and janitors of Normal College.....	84,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Evening Schools.....	110,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Colored Schools, day and evening.....	40,000 00
For salaries of superintendents, clerks, and other employees of the Board of Education.....	78,000 00
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	\$2,712,000 00

For books, maps, slates, stationery and general supplies, for all schools.....	195,000 00
For fuel, for all schools and the Hall of the Board of Education.....	100,000 00
For gas, for all schools and the Hall of the Board of Education.....	22,000 00
For rents of school premises.....	55,000 00
For pianos, and repairs of.....	6,000 00
For workshop, wages and materials.....	2,500 00
For incidental expenses and current repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus by the Ward Trustees, including compensation of Clerks to Boards of Trustees.....	55,000 00
For incidental repairs, stationery, printing, apparatus, chemicals, etc., etc., for the Normal College and Schools .....	6,000 00
For incidental repairs, stationery, printing, etc., for the Evening Schools.....	1,500 00
For incidental repairs, stationery, printing, etc., for the Colored Schools.....	2,500 00
For incidental repairs to the hall of the Board of Education, and for printing, stationery, advertising, and other incidental expenses of the Board .....	22,000 00
For the enforcement of the Act entitled "An act to secure to children the benefits of elementary education," passed May 11, 1874.....	22,000 00
For the support of the Nautical School, established by Act of the Legislature, passed April 24, 1873 .....	35,000 00
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	\$3,236,500 00

For purchasing, leasing and procuring sites and for erecting buildings ; for fitting up, altering, enlarging, repairing and furnishing the buildings



and premises under the charge of the Board ;  
 for repairing, the furniture and heating ap-  
 paratus therein ; for the support of schools  
 organized since the last annual apportionment  
 of the school moneys, and for such further  
 sum or sums as may be necessary for any of  
 the purposes authorized by law . . . . . 455,000 00

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Total for Public School purposes . . . . . 3,691,500 00

For Corporate Schools, as per State apportionment,  
 by sundry Acts of the Legislature . . . . . 105,000 00

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\$3,796,500 00

*Resolved*, That the foregoing Estimate of the moneys that will be required by this Board for the support of the common schools of the City of New York, and for all purposes connected with public instruction under the care of this Board, during the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six (1876), amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three millions seven hundred and ninety-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,796,500), be duly authenticated by the President and Clerk, and submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and a duplicate thereof furnished to the Board of Alderman, as required by Section 112 of Chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
WM. H. NEILSON,		
EDWARD SCHELL,		

NEW YORK, September 15th, 1875.

*Ordered*, That said report be laid on the table, and entered in full in the minutes, and that the Board hold a special session on Wednesday, September 22, for the consideration thereof.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, relative to amending the By-Law on page 195 of the Manual (Journal, 1874, p. 746), limiting the age of pupils permitted to attend the Evening Schools, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws be amended by striking out the word "ten" on the next to the last line, page 195 of the Manual, as amended (Journal, 1874, p. 746), and inserting the word "twelve."

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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Commissioner MATHEWSON moved that said report be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, authorizing the Principal of the Evening High School to employ six of his assistant teachers to co-operate with him in registering, &c., pupils applying for admission to said school, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Principal of the Evening High School be, and he is hereby authorized to employ six of his assistant

teachers to co-operate with him in registering, &c., pupils applying for admission to said school, for two weeks previous to the opening of said school, to be paid at the regular rate of nightly salary.

A. J. MATHEWSON, } *Committee*  
 FERDINAND TRAUD, } *on Evening*  
 EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *Schools.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to transferring the Female Evening School from Grammar School building No. 31, to G. S. building No. 2—recommending that the application of the Trustees be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Seventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to transfer the Female Evening School from Grammar School building No. 31, to Grammar School building No. 2.

A. J. MATHEWSON, } *Committee*  
 FERDINAND TRAUD, } *on*  
 EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *Evening Schools.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented the following report from the Committee on Evening Schools :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communications from the Trustees of the several wards, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools, respectfully recommend that the nominations be confirmed, with the exception of the following :

Henry C. Litchfield, Principal Male Evening School No. 13, 17th Ward.

Frank J. Coleman, Principal Male Evening School 19th Ward.

Charles F. Olney, Principal Male Evening School 20th Ward.

The Committee are of the opinion that the interests of the public will be better subserved by the appointment of the following persons in their stead, viz :

Abner B. Holly, Principal Male Evening School No. 13, 17th Ward.

James Murphy, Principal Male Evening School 19th Ward.

Samuel Ayers, M.D., Principal Male Evening School 20th Ward.

The Committee submit the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed to the positions as teachers in the Evening Schools for the term of 1875 and 1876, viz. :

FIRST WARD.

MALE—Assistants—Jerome A. Eisenlord, Miss Abbe A. Wright (Music), Miss Bridget E. Neligan, Miss Kate E. Foley, James H. O'Brien.

## FOURTH WARD.

MALE—John G. McNary, Principal. Assistants—John Harmon, James Moore, William B. Clarke, John W. Nammack, James Bourke, Adolph Cohen, Miss Kate Brady (Music), Sarah C. McAleer, Miss Julia Meaney, Miss Mary A. Wild.

## FIFTH WARD.

MALE—Samuel Morehouse, Principal. Assistants—Michael J. Drummond, George H. Coombs, Abram K. Van Vleck, Louis H. Caldwell, Eugene F. J. Gutgsell (German), Isaac Berlitzheimer (German), George Batchelor (French), William Alpers (French).

## SIXTH WARD.

FEMALE—Miss Esther Phillips, Principal. Assistants—Miss Elizabeth Doyle (Music), Miss Eileen Baurens, Miss Kate F. Farrell, Miss Mary E. McAndrew, Miss Alice Fierty, Miss Mary K. McClusky, Miss Elizabeth Rohrschneider, Miss Mary A. O'Brien, Miss Kate A. Walsh.

## SEVENTH WARD.

MALE—Francis J. Haggerty, Principal. Assistants—Emil Riedel, John B. McMahon, Miss Phebe F. Stamper, Miss Jane R. Reardon, Miss Adalaide M. Tuers, Miss Lizzie G. McCarthy (Music).

FEMALE—Miss Sarah E. Raywood, Principal. Assistants—Miss Lizzie F. Killeen, Miss Adaline E. R. Anderson (Music), Miss Susan Cooney, Miss Bertha Leopold, Miss Sarah F. Tonnissen, Miss Mary Cullivan, Mrs. Rebecca T. Creed, Miss Julia L. Lennon, Miss Mary A. McSorley.

## EIGHTH WARD.

**FEMALE**—Miss Kate O'Hara, Principal. Assistants—Mrs. Pauline L. Hartt, Miss Annie M. Dalton, Miss Maggie E. Scanlan, Miss Jennie Blackstock, Miss Georgianna Dugan, Mrs. Margaret C. Healey, Miss Isabella Breen, Miss Sarah Wild.

## NINTH WARD.

**MALE**—Oscar P. Howe, Principal. Assistants—Edgar Knickerbocker, Silas W. Randall, Theodore D. Camp, Otto Kuphal (German), Charles W. Nammack, John Murray, Miss Grace Ferguson (Music), Miss Susie V. Walsh, Miss Charlotte E. Moore, Miss Jane Carpenter.

## TENTH WARD.

**MALE**—Robert B. Maclay, Principal. Assistants—Miss Hannah R. Phillips, Edward D. Farrell, James Blanchard, Miss Lydia Folger, William L. Gaddis, Miss Elizabeth V. H. Mansell, Miss Mary A. Brennan, Henry M. Farrell, Miss Anna Kammerer, Miss Emmeline Hook, Miss Ida L. Everett, Herman Stern, John Janssen, Edgar D. Shimer, Miss Mary A. Lynch, Mrs. George L. Coombs, Miss Mary E. Jones (Music), James Hunter.

## ELEVENTH WARD.

**MALE**—Principal, Joseph Southworth. Assistants—George Stewart, Thomas Wilson, Henry Goodrich, Miss Lizzie Milligan, Miss Rosanna O'Brien, Miss Anna M. Donahue, Miss Maggie Burns, William Luhr, Luke O'Brien, Charles Strauss.

**FEMALE**—Principal, Miss Bertha Fribourg. Assistants—Miss Frances S. Webb, Miss Maggie S. Murphy, Miss Emma Paul, Miss Sarah E. Rhoads (Music), Miss Theresa Keating, Miss Adolphine H. K. Paegelow (German), Miss Ida A. Hulen, Miss

Clotilda Carroll, Miss Sarah Weed, Miss Joanna M. Addi, Miss Mary Rowan, Miss Mary Guiles, Miss Marietta Hogg.

TWELFTH WARD.

MALE (No. 37)—Principal, William A. Owen. Assistants—Theodore B. Banniger, Francis Heidenis.

MALE (No. 57)—Principal, Theodore S. Van Cott. Assistants—David E. Gaddis, Chauncey F. Taux.

MALE—Principal, Stinson McIvor. Assistant—William O'Brien.

THIRTEENTH WARD.

FEMALE—Principal, Mrs. C. Josephine Belzer. Assistants—Miss Kate L. Gaynor, Miss Mary C. Finn, Miss Emma Westphal, Miss Margaret Boyle (Music), Miss Sarah E. Bucken, Miss Mary A. Thompson, Mrs. Isabella Campbell, Miss Elizabeth Dunn.

FOURTEENTH WARD.

FEMALE—Principal, Miss Alice E. Gormley. Assistants—Miss Mary J. Willoughby, Mrs. Margaret McDonald (Music), Miss Joanna F. Dowling, Miss Catharine M. Murphy, Miss Nora E. Cronin, Miss Ellen T. Monegan, Miss Elizabeth A. Burns, Miss Mary A. Connolly.

SIXTEENTH WARD.

FEMALE—Principal, Miss Jennie Ure. Assistants—Miss Georgiana Van Aiken, Miss Charlotte Ecker, Miss Marie Lamb, Miss Wilhelmina Snyder, Miss Maggie J. Kernahan, Miss Anna Murphy, Miss Henrietta Seebach (Music.)

## SEVENTEENTH WARD.

MALE (No. 13)—Principal, Abner B. Holly. Assistants—James R. Pettigrew, Robert J. Peterson, Charles R. Stroh, Richard L. Sweezey, James H. Donaldson, William M. Rosenblatt, Philip O’Ryan, Mrs. Mary E. Tripp, Miss Fannie F. Wiley, Miss E. Ann Mead, Miss Charlotte A. Howard, Miss Mary A. Smith, Miss Mary E. Smith, George C. Hessel, Ph. H. Gruenthal, Caisar A. von Ramdohr, Frederick Rother, Charles H. Schaffer, Aug. Baumgarten, James B. Richards, Cornelius R. Sullivan, Miss Ann J. Walker, Charles F. Sullivan.

## SEVENTEENTH WARD.

FEMALE—Mrs. Sarah E. Buckbee, Principal. Assistants—Miss Margaret A. McCanary, Miss Mary E. Flinn, Miss Emma Hendrickson, Miss Martha Mahoney, Miss Eliza G. Haughey, Miss Hannah F. Geaney, Miss Olivia McDowell, Miss Sarah A. Ryan, Miss Jennie A. Moran, Miss Helen J. Baulch, Miss Alice Buckbee, Miss Evelina Nungasser.

MALE (No. 25)—Robert H. Pettigrew, Principal. Assistants—Patrick H. Beemer, Miss Mary J. Price, Edward Althaus, Gustave Alexy, Edward J. Brennan.

## EIGHTEENTH WARD.

MALE—George M. Mitchell, Principal. Assistants—Matthew E. Smith, Joseph G. Furey, Francis G. Caldwell, A. Edler, Miss Kittie E. Newell, Miss Charlotte E. Carty, Miss Nellie Ford, Miss Jennie Dugan, Miss Maggie Dougherty, Miss Delia Clesham, Miss Sarah F. Dolan, Miss Sarah M. McCormick, Miss Mary A. Daly, Miss Eleanor Malone, Miss Henrietta Woodman.

## NINETEENTH WARD.

MALE—James Murphy, Principal. Assistants—John Oddy,



Alfred K. Lampher (German), John Fitzsimmons (German), Laemlein Bittenwiesser (German), Moses Moritz, Henry Leipziger, Miss Margaret Murray, Miss Lucy Scanlan, Henry Morgenthau, Gustave Witherstein.

FEMALE—Miss Johanna J. Hill, Principal. Assistants—Miss Josephine Cozzans, Miss Kate G. Tunney, Miss Mary Powers, Miss Mary Hutton.

TWENTIETH WARD.

MALE—Samuel Ayres, M.D., Principal. Assistants—William L. Gaddis, Charles E. Cody, Henry A. Jones, William Heilmuller, William Meyersfeld, Walter R. Conway, Riley B. Palmer, Elmer Poulson, John S. Ketcham, Miss Jane E. Collins, Miss Kate Weeks, Edward W. Rice, Miss Mary L. Yates, Phillip Valentine (German).

FEMALE—Miss Charlotte Farrell, Principal. Assistants—Miss Rosalie J. Coughlan, Miss Kate A. Harley, Miss Emily Pitman, Miss Emily A. Keogh, Miss Martha J. Knight, Miss Elizabeth McCormac, Miss Theresa A. Murphy, Miss Honora Hogan.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

FEMALE—Miss Rosina G. Hartman, Principal. Assistants—Miss Catherine C. McCaffery, Miss Kate H. Myers, Miss Emma V. Taylor, Miss Mary J. Lennon, Miss Bessie Roden, Miss Barbara E. Johnson.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

MALE—Sanford G. Plumb, Principal. Assistants—Paul Hoffman, George H. Phelps, John M. Van Everen, G. B. Hendrickson, John M. Mayer, August Wassercheid, Thomas O'Donnell, Miss Mary A. Cogan, Miss Jane McCarthy, Miss Maria T. Daly (Music).

**FEMALE**—Miss Emily S. Hanaway, Principal. Assistants—Miss Sarah E. Beck (Music), Miss C. Catherine McGean (Music), Miss Helen Curtis, Miss Teressa Bernholz, Miss Julia Root, Miss Janet C. Burnett, Miss Mary L. Parsells, Miss Lucy McSorley, Mrs. Eleanor Dunn.

**TWENTY-THIRD WARD.**

**MALE**—John B. Moore, Principal. Assistants—Richmond B. Elliot, James Hall, Gustavus Gudenrath, Miss Frances C. Turney, Miss Jennie E. Fash.

**FEMALE**—Miss Sarah M. Reins, Principal. Assistants—Miss Emma Caulfield, Miss Sadie M. Webb.

**TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.**

**MALE** (No. 63)—George H. Albro, Principal. Assistants—William J. Kennard, Miss Selina A. Flynn, Miss Charlotte H. Stearns.

**MALE** (No. 65)—James Buckhout, Principal. Assistant—M. Boyd Everett.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	} <i>Committee</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on Evening</i>
	<i>Schools.</i>

Commissioner HERRING moved to amend the report of the Committee by striking out the name of Abner C. Holly, in the Seventeenth Ward, and inserting that of Henry C. Litchfield.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FULLER moved that the nomination of Charles F. Olney, for the Evening School in the Twentieth Ward, be referred back to the Trustees.

Commissioner HERRING called for the previous question, which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioner Baker—2.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Fuller, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner FULLER moved to amend the report by striking out the name of James Murphy, and inserting Frank J. Coleman, for Principal in the Evening School of the Nineteenth Ward.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Dowd to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Fuller, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West and Wood—9.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Halsted and Wetmore—5.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE asked to be excused from voting, and, on motion, said request was granted.

Commissioner TRAUD moved that the report be amended by striking out the name of George B. Hendrickson.

Commissioner MAN moved that the said nomination be referred to the Board of Trustees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

*Nays*—Commissioner Traud—1.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for authority to use Grammar School building No. 8 for Evening School purposes, until the building for Grammar School No. 38 is ready for occupying, recommending that said application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eighth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to use Grammar School building No. 8 for Evening School purposes during the Evening School term of 1875 and 1876.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	} <i>Committee</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
	<i>on Evening</i>
	<i>Schools.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, relative to amending the By-Laws as amended on page 195 of the

Manual (Journal 1874, p. 746) limiting the age of pupils permitted to attend the Evening Schools, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws be amended by striking out the word "ten" on the next to the last line, page 195 of the Manual as amended (Journal 1874, p. 746), and inserting the word "twelve."

HENRY P. WEST,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, submitting the following resolution for adoption, appointing teachers for the Colored Evening Schools, for the term of 1875 and 1876 :

*Resolved*, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed teachers in the Colored Evening Schools, for the term of 1875 and 1876, viz :

Colored School No. 2—Miss Caroline Hamilton, Principal.  
Miss Angeline Dawley, Assistant.

Colored School No. 4—Miss J. Imogene Howard, Principal.  
Miss Florence T. Ray, Assistant.  
Miss Ann E. Stewart, “

EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, submitting sundry bills for payment, amounting to \$1,787.47, in accordance with the resolution of the Board, p. 468 of the Journal, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following named bills incurred by the Committee on Colored Schools be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

*Colored School No. 1.*

Thomas Downey, mason work.....	\$10 62	
John Doran, whitewashing.....	125 00	.
John Doran, cleaning stoves.....	73 00	
Edward Kelly, carting dirt.....	8 75	
J. Smart, painting.....	74 12	
G. Croce, glazing.....	6 38	

*Colored School No. 2.*

D. B. Pierson & Son, flagging.....	89 15	
Gudenoge & Young, repairing roof and gutter	11 30	
Gudenoge & Young, repairing stoves.....	140 00	
Gudenoge & Young, repairing roof.....	10 63	
F. W. Mitchell, kalsomining.....	132 00	
Workshop, repairs.....	69 30	

*Colored School No. 3.*

John B. Driscoll, cleaning stoves.....	40	50
Thomas Falvey, painting doors, &c.....	29	23
Thomas Falvey, painting walls.....	160	00
Thomas Falvey, kalsomining.....	40	00
D. B. Pierson & Son, flagging.....	64	53
D. B. Pierson & Son, mason work.....	58	03
Workshop, repairs.....	88	96
George Starrett, range.....	45	50

*Colored School No. 4.*

D. B. Pierson & Son, mason work.....	94	86
Philip Smith, plumbing, &c.....	72	97
John Harrison, cleaning stoves, &c.....	36	50
John Harrison, repairing roof.....	15	60
Thomas Falvey, kalsomining.....	195	00
Workshop, repairs.....	95	54

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Total.....\$1,787 47

EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the

Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for rebuilding Grammar School House No. 36, and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals for rebuilding Grammar School House No. 36, Ninth street, near Avenue C. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for an appropriation of four hundred dollars (\$400), for a sewer, water closets, &c., for Primary School No. 18, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, for an appropriation of four hundred dollars (\$400) for sewer, water closets, &c., for Primary School No. 18, be, and the same is hereby denied.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.



Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, approving sundry bills for apparatus, &c., supplied the Normal College, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

E. & H. T. Anthony & Co., lantern slides, Department of Physics.....	\$67 50
Jesse L. Cheney, apparatus, Department of Physics.....	89 00
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	\$156 50

A. Mazzur, repairing skeleton, Department of Natural Science.....	11 00
Scribner, Armstrong & Co., books, Department of Natural Science.....	47 40
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	\$58 40

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	} Committee on Normal Schools.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to appointing Miss Betsy B. Davis

as teacher in the Model School, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Betsy B. Davis be, and she is hereby appointed teacher in the Model School, at an annual salary of five hundred dollars (\$500), to date from the commencement of service.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the appointment of Miss Emily Ida Conant, as Junior Tutor in the Department of Latin in the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Emily Ida Conant be, and she is hereby appointed an additional Tutor in Latin in the Normal College, at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars (\$800), to date from commencement of service.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking an appropriation of \$1,000 for laying out the grounds around the Normal College, and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to have the grounds around the Normal College Building "laid out" and beautified by the Department of Parks, and that inasmuch as the Committee cannot exactly determine the cost of doing said work, one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose herein set forth.

WM. WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of Miss Yereth Frank from the action of the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, in removing her from her position as assistant teacher in Primary Department, Grammar School No. 50, recommending that the action of the Trustees be sustained, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the action of the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, in removing Miss Yereth Frank from the position of an assistant teacher in the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 50, be, and the same is hereby sustained, and that Miss Frank be paid her salary for the month of July, 1875.

J. M. HALSTED, WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to placing sundry books, &c., on the list of supplies, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following books, maps, &c., be placed upon the List of Supplies authorized to be used in the Public Schools, viz.:

*Books of Reference.*

General Walker's Statistical Atlas of the U. S.  
Geography "Our World," 1st Lesson.

*Maps.*

Monteith's Maps—set of 7.  
Map of the City of New York—Scribner.

*Text Books.*

Schlegel's New 1st German Book.

Lord's Rudiments of Music.

Sheldon's 5th Reader.

WILLIAM HERRING, ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, making application for two new pianos for the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 68, and recommending that an appropriation of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) be made for that purpose.

DAVID WETMORE, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for a piano for Primary Department of Grammar School No. 64, and recommending that a new one be purchased, at an expense not exceeding three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) and asking that an appropriation of the above amount be made.

DAVID WETMORE, EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, relative to the award of contracts for furnishing four class-rooms, &c., in Grammar School building No. 42 :

To the National School Furniture Co., for.....	\$700
To Thomas Falvey, carpenter work, for.....	279
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Making a total sum of .....	\$979

stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the said amount, and accompanied with the following resolution authorizing it :

*Resolved*, That the sum of nine hundred and seventy-nine dollars (\$979) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of altering and furnishing four class-rooms &c., in Grammar School building No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Tenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for these purposes with the National School Furniture Co. and Thomas Falvey, nor until the usual requirements of the By-Laws and Rules of this Board have been complied with in respect to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made under them.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON, EDWARD SCHELL,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Auditing Committee, requesting an appropriation of five hundred dollars (\$500) to defray the expense of testing a gas regulating apparatus, under the direction and supervision of said Committee; stating that the Board has the ability to make the appropriation from the fund designated in the resolution submitted by said Committee, as recorded on page 520 of the Journal of the 1st inst.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
WM. H. NEILSON,		
EDWARD SCHELL,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Auditing Committee, as found on pages 520 and 521 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of a piano for the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 64, at an expense not to exceed three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), stating that the Board has the ability to appropriate the above-named amount, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a new piano for the use of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 64, at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375); any old piano now on storage to be used, in the discretion of the Committee, in part payment—the amount to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON, EDWARD SCHELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending that authority be granted to purchase pianos for the use of the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 68, in the Twelfth Ward; stating that the Board has the ability to comply with said recommendation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase two pianos for the use of the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 68, in the Twelfth Ward, at an expense not to exceed the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750), the bills to



be paid on the approval of said Committee, and the amount expended charged to the appropriation made for pianos.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WM. H. NEILSON, EDWARD SCHELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned, to meet on Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 4 P. M.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1875.**

### **ADJOURNED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HERRING, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, PATTERSON, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

*Absent*—Commissioners KELLY, MATHEWSON, SCHELL and VERMILYE—4.

The PRESIDENT announced this session of the Board to be an adjourned meeting held specially for the consideration of the Report of the Finance Committee, as printed in the Journal, pages 553–556, submitting the estimate of moneys required for school purposes for the year 1876.

On motion of Commissioner DOWD—

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the minutes of the last meeting be postponed until the next stated meeting of the Board.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following resolution, there being no objection thereto:

*Resolved*, That immediately after the disposition of the special business for which the present meeting was called, viz: to consider the financial estimate of 1876, the Board proceed to take up and dispose of such other business as may be ready for its action.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved that the estimate of the Finance Committee, pages 553 to 556 of the Journal, be adopted.

Commissioner Wood offered the following amendment:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Finance Committee be amended by adding to the amount of \$2,275,000 required for salaries of teachers in the Grammar and Primary Schools, the sum of \$168,600, being the amount required to pay for the services of two hundred and eighty-one additional teachers in the Primary Schools and Departments, upon the basis of one teacher for every forty scholars, at the rate of \$600 per teacher.

On the 30th of April, 1875, (see page 493 of Journal,) there were employed in the Primary Departments and Schools, (84 Vice-Principals and 1,141 assistants), 1225 teachers. On the same date there were 60,247 pupils in Primary Schools and Departments, which number, divided by 40, calls for 1,506 teachers, or 281 in addition to the number employed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis and Wood—4.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Man, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—10.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Beardslee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, nominating a teacher of Germans in the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, relative to the number of teachers in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation to pay bills for sundry repairs, &c., amounting to \$625.04.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to the appointment of Charles F. Olney as Principal of the Male Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a new piano for P. D. G. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT announced that Commissioner Schell had in-

formed him of his inability to be present at this meeting of the Board by reason of absence from the City.

On motion of Commissioner WEST, the absence of Commissioner Schell was excused.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Mme. Marie Vérel, making application for appointment as a teacher of French in the Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From John I. Hunt, making application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From John K. Sharkey, making application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From P. G. Duffy, tendering the resignation of his position as Principal of G. S. No. 29.

*Ordered*, That said resignation be accepted, and that the communication be placed on file.

From James Como, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward in removing him from the position of Janitor of G. S. No. 64.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Commissioner TOWNSEND informed the Board that his absence from previous meetings of the Board was occasioned by absence from the City, under medical advice.

On motion of Commissioner BEARDSLEE, the absence of Commissioner Townsend was excused.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the resignation of W. C. Whitney, as Trustee of the Twenty-first Ward, and Charles F. McLean, as Trustee of the Fifteenth Ward, recommending that said resignations be accepted, and the vacancies filled by the appointment of Mr. John M. Knox for the Fifteenth Ward, and Joseph R. Skidmore for the Twenty-first Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the resignations of Charles F. McLean as Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward, and of W. C. Whitney as Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-first Ward, be, and the same are hereby accepted, and that John M. Knox, residence No. 40 Great Jones street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward, *vice* McLean, resigned, to hold office until the 1st day of January, (1879) eighteen hundred and seventy-nine; and that Joseph R. Skidmore, residence No. 33 East Thirty-eighth street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-first Ward, *vice* Whitney, resigned, to hold office until the 1st day of January, (1876) eighteen hundred and seventy-six; said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th Section of the Act of

March, 1873, as amended, Chap. 112 and 215 of the Laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE, HENRY P. WEST, J. M. HALSTED, ALBERT KLAMROTH, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WILLIAM WOOD, LAWSON N. FULLER, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to transferring Evening School No. 46 to Grammar School building No. 43, recommending that the application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to transfer Evening School No. 46 to Grammar School building No. 43, together with the teachers appointed for said school.

EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the nominations of teachers for the Evening Schools in the First and Nineteenth Wards, and recommending for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following persons be, and they hereby are appointed teachers in the Evening Schools for the term of 1875 and 1876, to date from the commencement of service :

Joseph J. Casey, Principal, Male School, 1st Ward.

Mrs. Eliza Bell, Assistant, Female School, 19th Ward.

EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. W. TOWNSEND,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner MAN presented the following report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, in the matter of the communication from the Deputy Comptroller, relative to certain payments due under contracts, and inquiring “if any reason exists why the penalty in the several cases should not be enforced,” respectfully report: That it has not been customary for the Board of Education heretofore to enforce penalties, unless in case of bad faith on the part of the



contractor, or of actual detriment to the public interest, and in the cases named in the communication of the Deputy Comptroller, it does not appear that there has been either bad faith on the part of the contractors, or actual detriment to the public interests, but it does satisfactorily appear by the certificate of the Superintendent of School Buildings that there has been neither, and this Committee consider that such certificate of the performance of the work should be satisfactory evidence to the Comptroller, and unless moneys are paid promptly upon the presentation of the usual audit of the officers of the Board of Education, and the certificate of the Superintendent of School Buildings, the public interest must inevitably suffer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. MAN, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating William H. Sieberg for the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 43, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That William H. Sieberg, nominated by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the position of Principal of Grammar School No. 43, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Thomas S. O'Brien for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 29, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Thomas S. O'Brien, nominated by the Trustees of the First Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 29, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WM. DOWD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred, on the 15th of Septem-

ber, the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Principals and Vice-Principals for several schools in said Ward, and recommending the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward be permitted to withdraw the nominations made by them to this Board on September 15th, for Principals and Vice-Principals in Grammar Schools Nos. 4 and 34.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WM. DOWD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, submitting the following resolutions for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the following French books be added to the List of Supplies authorized to be used in the Normal College during the years 1875, 1876, viz :

Duffet's Method, Part I and II.

"Causeries avec mes élèves," by L. Sauveur.

Abrégé de la Grammaire, Noel et Chapsal, avec exercices.

Fables de La Fontaine.

*Resolved*, That the following be placed on the List of Supplies for 1875 and 1876, viz :

Burn's Chart of Phonic Shorthand, No. 1.

Wilson MacDonald's Anatomical Models, painted in oil colors, viz :

No. 1, The Human Skeleton.

No. 2, The Human Figure.

No. 3, Life Size Trunk or Body.

*Resolved*, That this Board permit the use of Tröll's Automatic Tellurian in Female Grammar Schools Nos. 45, 47 and 50, and Male Grammar School No. 35; said Tellurian to be on pedestals, and to cost not over thirty-five dollars each.

WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
A. P. MAN,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the third resolution be amended by inserting after the word "Tellurian" the words "as an experiment."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Dowd, Fuller, Patterson and West—4.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Townsend, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the said resolution be stricken out.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Patterson, West and Wetmore—6.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Townsend, Traud and Wood—11.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the report be laid upon the table until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Lewis, Patterson, Townsend, West and Wetmore—10.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Traud and Wood—7.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to having the Branch of Primary Department Grammar School No. 4 organized as a full Primary School, stating that said communication does not properly belong to this Committee, and recommending that it be referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

EWD. O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
WM. WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to placing Professor J. A. Gillett and Mr. Arthur McMullin on full time in Saturday Sessions of the Normal College, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the resignation of Miss Helen G. Morgan as an Instructor in the Saturday Sessions of the Normal College be accepted, and that Prof. J. A. Gillett and Mr. Arthur McMullin be put on full time as instructors, at the regular salary of seven hundred dollars (\$700) per annum, to take effect on and after the passage of this resolution :

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, R. W. TOWNSEND, LAWSON N. FULLER,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner Woon presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting the following preamble and resolution for adoption :

*Whereas*, The condition of the curb and flagging of side-walks on 69th street, northside of Normal College site, is such as to require re-laying and regulating, because it was deemed advisable, at the time of making the contract for other portions of similar work, to leave 69th street as it was left by the city authorities. Since then the Commissioners of the Fourth avenue improvement have altered the grade, and made it necessary for a great part of the sidewalk to be regraded ; and

*Whereas*, On 68th st., since the sidewalk was regulated, the street has been paved, and considerable portion of the curb raised,

leaving the sidewalk out of line, that street should also be regulated ; and

*Whereas*, In the contract made between John T. McDonald and the Board of Education, dated the 8th day of November, 1874, it is provided “ That in case the parties  
“ of the first part, or a majority of them, shall at any  
“ time during the progress of the said work, request any al-  
“ teration, deviation, addition or omission in, to, or upon  
“ the said work, or any detail thereof, as shown in and re-  
“ quired by the said plans or drawings and specifications, the  
“ party of the second part will make each and every altera-  
“ tion, deviation, addition, or omission so requested ; and the  
“ same shall not be held to be void, or in any way  
“ impair this contract, but the cost or expense thereof,  
“ at a fair and reasonable valuation, to be immediately  
“ agreed upon by the Superintendent of School Buildings,  
“ the parties of the first part or a majority of them on the  
“ one side, and the party of the second part on the other  
“ side, and certified at the time in writing, shall be, as may  
“ be just and proper, added to or deducted from the  
“ moneys to be paid to the party of the second part under  
“ this contract, and shall be accounted for and settled by  
“ and between the respective parties of the first and second  
“ parts ; but the Board of Education shall not, by reason of  
“ the approval of this contract or otherwise, be, or be held to  
“ be, obligated for or required to make an appropriation to  
“ pay the increased expense caused by any such alteration,  
“ addition or omission, unless its consent thereto be ob-  
“ tained.” Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the contractor for flagging, curbing, &c., around the Normal College Building be directed to relay and regulate the flagging and curb on Sixty-ninth street, north side of the Normal College Building, and regulate the sidewalk on Sixty-eighth street, at an expense not to exceed six hun-

dred dollars (\$600); the work to be done under the direction of the Committee on Normal Schools, and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

W <sup>M</sup> . WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Wood gave notice that at the next meeting of the Board he proposed to offer an amendment to the By-Laws, as follows :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws, Section 105, pages 196 and 197 of the Manual, be amended by striking out the last paragraph, viz: "No teacher shall be appointed as Principal or Assistant in any Evening School, unless specially licensed as such by the City Superintendent."

Commissioner Wood called for information relative to the progress made in the decision of the question concerning the "Corporate Control and Disbursement" of the school moneys by the Board of Education, (Journal of 1875, pages 437 to 441.)

The PRESIDENT informed the Board that at a recent interview with the Comptroller he had been informed by him that the question submitted relative to the school moneys had been referred to the Corporation Counsel, from whom he expected an opinion as soon as his other duties would permit.

The President stated that under these circumstances he did not deem it advisable to institute any proceedings intended to



press, prematurely, a collision between the Board and the financial officer of the city, as he believed the question would be amicably adjusted without a resort to further proceedings.

Commissioner PATTERSON made an inquiry relative to the lots for school purposes on Lexington avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, (Journal of 1875, page 431.)

*Ordered*, That said inquiry be referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

Commissioner HERRING gave notice that he would call up for consideration the report on the Study of the German and French languages at the next meeting of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1875.**

**STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, HERRING, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

*Absent*—Commissioner TOWNSEND—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on September 15.

Commissioner WEST moved that they be amended by inserting on page 566, after the motion of Commissioner Traud, second paragraph from the bottom, as follows:

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the special session held on September 22, together with the minutes of the stated session as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Vermilye, as follows:

my thanks for the courtesy and kindness of  
my connection with the Board ; also my  
very pleasant relations which have existed

I am, dear sir,

Very sincere

*Ordered,* That said communication be  
minutes and placed on file.

Commissioner Wood offered the following

*Whereas,* This Board has just been informed  
of J. D. VERMILYE, Esq., as a Commissioner  
Schools :

*Resolved,* That the Board receives with grati-  
fication the resignation of their late com-  
missioner.

*Resolved,* That the fidelity and ability with  
which he has discharged his duties as Commissioner, and also  
as a member of the Finance Committee, are entitled to our  
highest commendation.

*Resolved*, That we deeply regret the cause which renders his retirement from this Board necessary, and hereby tender to him, not only our earnest desire for his restoration to health and continued usefulness, but the expression of our high regard and consideration.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Commissioner Dowd—

*Ordered*, That said resolutions be properly engrossed, and transmitted to Commissioner Vermilye.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, September 27th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that in accordance with Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1873, I have this day appointed as a Commissioner of Common Schools of the City of New York, LEONARD HAZELTINE, in place of J. D. Vermilye, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said J. D. Vermilye, which terminates on the 1st day of January, 1878.

Very respectfully,

W. H. WICKHAM,

*Mayor.*

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had assigned Commissioner Hazeltine to the vacancies in the several committees occasioned by the resignation of Commissioner Vermilye.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for authority to appoint an absentee messenger for each school in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for authority to extend the time of the contracts for completing the work on Grammar School Building No. 38.

Commissioner HERRING offered the following resolution, two-thirds consenting:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eighth Ward be, and they hereby are empowered to grant an extension of time to the contractors engaged in making alterations upon Grammar School building No. 38, inasmuch as delays have occurred

over which said contractors have had no control, said extension to date October 25, 1875, and the sessions of the school to be omitted until that date, without detriment to the salaries of the teachers now employed therein.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, transmitting the resignation of George A. Jeremiah, Trustee, and recommending David M. Earle to fill said vacancy.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Lillie H. Townsend, F. D. G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, making the award of contracts for rebuilding Grammar School house No. 36, and asking for an appropriation of \$63,917.00 for said purpose.

Rererred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, renewing the application for a new school building in Eighty-seventh street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Jacob S. Warner, Principal G. S. No. 57.

Miss Ida R. Hulen, M. D. G. S. No. 37.

Miss Rose M. Laughton, M. D. G. S. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Dubois B. Frisbee for Vice-Principal of G. S. No. 4, in place of Jacob S. Woodworth, resigned ; Miss Jennette Robertson for Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 4, in place of Miss Albertine Cooley, resigned ; and Miss Sarah J. Burke, F. D. G. S. No. 14, for Vice-Principal F. D. G. S. No. 4, in place of Miss Jennette Robertson.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Mrs. Mary E. Clark, G. D. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Sarah Lockwood, M. D. G. S. No. 34.

Miss Mary A. Thompson, P. D. G. S. No. 34.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Antoinette Brush for Vice-Principal of G. D. G. S. No. 47.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Sarah C. Clark, P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Mary T. Redfield, G. S. No. 35.

Miss Felicia A. Griffin, G. S. No. 47.

Miss Anna F. Habberlin, P. D. G. S. No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss R. W. B. McMillan, P. D. G. S. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, as follows :

Miss Mary L. Jacobs, P. D. G. S. No. 13.

Miss Carrie Hazeltine, F. D. G. S. No. 19.

Miss Jennie C. Savage, P. D. G. S. No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.



From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for a division of classes, and for an additional teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Jennie C. Rowe, P. D. G. S. No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$281.52 to pay for repairs to branch of G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Female Evening School, and to transfer a teacher to the Male Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating William H. Van Cott for Principal of Male Evening School No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Emma C. Greenwood, P. D. G. S. No. 49.

Miss Sarah A. Dickey, P. S. No. 16.

Miss Isabella Jenkins, F. D. G. S. No. 49.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for altering and enlarging G. S. No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to establish a new school at Woodlawn Heights.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that the omission to hold certain sessions of G. S. No. 64 be excused.

Commissioner HERRING, with the consent of two-thirds of the members, offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward in extending the time for completion of contract for repairs on said school be, and the same is hereby confirmed, and without any detriment to the salaries of the teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, transmitting the deeds of the property of G. S. No. 65.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

#### CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to the janitor of G. S. building No. 46.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, October 6, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from Sept. 15th to Oct. 5th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the agents is 873. Of this number 278 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 194 whose residence could not be found, leaving 401 truants and non-attendants, of which number 365 have been placed in school, 8 committed to care of Commissioners of

Charities and Corrections, 1 committed to care of Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 27 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school 10 have gone to work, 11 left the city, 4 been placed in Juvenile Asylum, and 2 placed in Catholic Protectory.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

On the 22d of September I addressed the following communication to the Police Commissioners of this city :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }  
NEW YORK CITY, Sept. 22, 1875. }

*To the Police Commissioners of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I beg leave to call your attention to Sec. 8 of Chap. 421 of the Laws of 1874 ; also to Sec. 11 of the rules and regulations of the Board of Education, made in conformity therewith, and request that you have an order issued by the Superintendent of Police that will embrace the following points :

That each Police officer, when he finds children upon the streets between the hours of 9 and 3 o'clock “ of any school day of the Public Schools of the City of New York,” shall obtain their names, together with the names of their parents and their place of residence, and report the same daily to the Captain of his Precinct.

That each Captain of Police shall make a special written daily report of such children found on the streets to the Superintendent of Police, which report shall be open to the inspection of the Superintendent of Truancy, with authority to take a copy of the same if required.

[Oct. 6,

Also, that your officers on duty be required to disperse boys that are over 14 years of age (over whom I have no jurisdiction) when found congregating in crowds on the streets or at public places, as they tend largely to encourage truancy among the younger boys who otherwise would attend school regularly.

If you will have the above enforced, I feel that much good will result therefrom; it cannot in any way, I think, interfere with the duties of an officer on post, and will greatly assist me in enforcing the Compulsory Education Law, as I will then be able to find just the class of children the law is aimed at.

Respectfully,

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Supt. of Truancy.*

In response to my communication the Police Commissioners, at their meeting held Oct. 5, 1875, adopted the following rules, which have to-day been promulgated by the Superintendent of Police to the force under his command:

**RULE 390.** Whenever any officer of the police force, while on patrol duty, shall find children between the ages of eight and fourteen years in the streets between the hours of nine A. M. and three P. M. of any school day of the Public School days of New York, they shall obtain their names and the names of their parents or guardians, and place of residence, and report them to the Captain of his Precinct. The officer shall, on taking the names of the children, direct them to go to school, and warn them, if found on the street again during school hours, they will be liable to arrest.

**RULE 391.** Each Captain or Sergeant of Police in command of a Precinct shall make a daily report to the Superintendent of such children so reported to him, a copy of which shall be furnished to the Superintendent of Truancy.

**RULE 392.** It shall be the duty of all officers of a precinct, while on patrol duty, to disperse all crowds of boys over 14 years of age who may be found loitering at the corners or upon the streets or near public places, obstructing the highway or the entrance to public or private buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Supt. of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	136	
“ “ sickness.....	121	
“ “ poverty.....	21	
“ whose residence could not be found.	194	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		472
No. of children found to be truants.....	249	
“ “ habitual truants.....	57	
“ “ non-attendants.....	95	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		401
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Total number of cases investigated.....		873.
No. of truants returned to school.....	227	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school.....	43	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school... ..	95	
“ “ children withdrawn from school.....	27	
“ “ “ committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction.....	8	
“ “ “ committed to Society for Reforma- tion of Juvenile Delinquents... ..	1	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.		401

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From John Mitchell and John Von Glahn, Trustees of Common Schools in the Sixth Ward, transmitting the resignation of their office as Trustees.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From John C. Johnson, A. M., asking for a grant of disused school-books for the School-ship "Mercury," under the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Wm. H. Aldis, John Michels, M. A. Mimne, H. McKinley, A. L. Hecker, B. Marshman, Jr., and Rufus H. Fowler, making application for appointment as agents of truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From George H. Curtis, asking to be excused for absence.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From O. D. Case & Co., asking to have an outline map of the United States and the British Provinces placed on the list of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From J. Henry McCarthy, Esq., counsellor-at-law, a notice of claim in the case of Cornelius Ford.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom were referred the resignation as Trustees of Common Schools, of Messrs. George A. Jeremiah and Alfred A. Hoe, of the Ninth Ward, and of Edward Schell, of the Fifteenth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the resignations of Messrs. George A. Jeremiah and Alfred C. Hoe, as School Trustees for the Ninth Ward be, and the same are hereby accepted.

*Resolved*, That David M. Earle, residence No. 240 West Eleventh street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Ninth Ward, *vice* George A. Jeremiah, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, Eighteen hundred and seventy-six (1876); and that Henry Dayton, residence No. 50 West Washington place, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Ninth Ward, *vice* Alfred C. Hoe, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, Eighteen hundred and seventy-nine (1879); and that Henry M. Taber, residence No. 42 West Twelfth street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward, *vice* Edward Schell, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, Eighteen hundred and eighty (1880); said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the Act of March 21,



1873, as amended April 15, 1873, chapters 112 and 215 of the laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE, ALBERT KLAMROTH, J. M. HALSTED, R. G. BEARDSLEE, WILLIAM WOOD, LAWSON N. FULLER, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

John Harrison, cleaning and repairing stoves of Board of Education .....	\$159 53
J. H. Lyon, cannel coal, Board of Education	46 50
Jos. S. Cannon, cartage scales.....	95 00
Henry Brooks, repairs to flag-pole.....	15 00
J. Smart, painting Hall Board of Education	26 12
Banks & Bros., Session Laws of 1875.....	4 00
Trow City Directory Co., City Directory for 1875-6.....	6 00
<i>The World</i> , advertising June 17, 1875.....	114 40

Lord & Taylor, draping Hall, "Commissioner Farr's death".....	2 50
Bryden & Robidaux, bridges for coal scales	8 00
John Harrison, repairing roof on extension of Board of Education.....	4 22
Henry Kiddle, postage from March 17 to September 25.....	30 00
<i>Evening Post</i> , advertising to Aug. 11, 1875	1,012 20
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery to Aug. 31, 1875.....	194 75
Paulding & Moore, posting Evening School posters.....	142 80
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising Aug. 11, 1875	76 80
Cushing & Bardua, printing to Sept. 21, 1875.....	182 00
L. D. Kiernan, postage, etc., to Sept. 25, 1875.....	62 61
Eastern Gas Regulating Co., gas regulators	500 00

HENRY P. WEST, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Joint Committee appointed under a resolution of the Board on the 15th September, to designate a candidate for the office of Musical

Director, to take rank as Assistant Superintendent ; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Geo. F. Bristow be, and he is hereby appointed to the position of Musical Director, with the rank of Assistant Superintendent, at an annual salary of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), to take effect from the day of 1875.

WILLIAM HERRING, EDWARD O. JENKINS, EUGENE KELLY, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Joint Committee on Teachers and Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Musical Director.

Commissioner HALSTED offered as an amendment to said motion that the report be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT announced that said report was laid over under the rule, three members of the Board objecting thereto.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the rules be suspended in order that the Board might go into an election for Musical Superintendent.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows, two-thirds not voting in favor thereof:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—10.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Lewis, Man, Patterson and West—10.

Commissioner HERRING presented a report from the Joint Committee appointed under resolution of September 15, 1875, to make nominations for the offices of "Assistant Musical Directors," accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following persons be, and they hereby are provisionally appointed Assistant Musical Directors, at an annual salary of two thousand dollars each, until the first day of January, 1876, at which time the Board shall determine whether they shall be employed permanently or not ; said appointment to date from the                      day of                      , 1875, viz :

Mrs. C. H. Stone,  
Miss Henrietta Corradi,  
" Lizzie A. Pardee,  
" Anna Koch,  
Francis H. Nash,  
Frederick Salmson,  
George C. Rexford,  
George H. Curtis.

WILLIAM HERRING, EDWARD O. JENKINS, EUGENE KELLY, A. P. MAN, ALBERT KLAMROTH, WM. DOWD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Joint Committee on Teachers and Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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Laid over under the rules.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That Charles A. Berrian be, and he is hereby appointed Clerk to the Superintendent of Truancy, the salary to be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum, to be paid

from the fund set apart for enforcing the Compulsory Education Act; said appointment to date from September 6, 1875, and continue during the pleasure of the Board.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

*Nay*—Commissioner Baker—1.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred, Sept. 15, 1875, the subject of appointing additional Agents of Truancy, recommending that two additional Agents of Truancy be appointed for the Seventh District, and one for the Eighth District, accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That three additional Agents of Truancy be appointed, two for the Seventh District and one for the Eighth District, at an annual salary of thirteen hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,350) each, to take effect on and after the date of commencement of service, and that the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications report to this Board suitable persons for such positions.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
HENRY P. WEST,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending certain amendments to Section 105, page 197 of the Manual, relative to the Evening Schools.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. P. MAN,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

On motion of Commissioner HERRING—

*Ordered*, That said report be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with instructions to report at this session of the Board.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to organizing the Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4 as a full Primary School, respectfully report: That the subject does not come within the province of this Committee, they therefore recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy.

S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		
WILLIAM HERRING,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, relative to purchasing a site adjoining Grammar School No. 35, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for the purchase of a site adjoining Grammar School No. 35, be recommitted to the Trustees for further information.

S. P. PATTERSON, FERDINAND TRAUD, LAWSON N. FULLER, WILLIAM HERRING,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a new piano for Primary Department of Grammar School No. 33; recommending that a new one be purchased at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) which sum the Committee ask to be appropriated for that purpose.

DAVID WETMORE, EDWARD O. JENKINS, DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending that sub-division 2 of section 86, page 185 of the Manual, be amended by striking out all after the word "apparatus" on the third line, down to and including the word "previous" on the eighth line, etc.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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On motion of Commissioner MATHERSON—

*Ordered*, That said report be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, with instructions to report thereon at this session of the Board.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Emily J. Conant, Tutor in the Normal College, be excused for absence for two-thirds of the month of September, 1875, on account of the illness of her father and sister ; cause, a serious accident.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring,



Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, recommending the appointment of additional teachers for the Model School, and promoting the teachers now employed in said school, accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the following-named persons be, and they hereby are appointed teachers in the Model School, at an annual salary of five hundred dollars (\$500), to take effect from the date of commencement of service :

Miss Ella Calkins,  
“ Fanny Rutter,  
“ Henrietta Japha,  
“ Elizabeth Knight,  
“ Carra N. Crane,  
“ Susie Tower,  
“ Sarah Acker.

*Resolved*, That the following promotions be made in the Model School, viz :

1. Miss Jennie B. Merrill, to be 3d Assistant, *vice* Miss Emma J. Conant, promoted.

2. Miss Hattie Patterson, to be 4th Assistant, *vice* Miss Garvin, resigned, and Miss Merrill, promoted.

3. Miss Alice Neustadt, to be 5th Assistant, *vice* Miss Patterson, promoted, and Miss Garvin, resigned.

4. Miss Eugenia J. Bowne, to be 6th Assistant, *vice* Misses Neustadt and Patterson, promoted.

5. Miss Alice A. Sawyer, to be 7th Assistant, *vice* Misses Bowne and Neustadt, promoted.

6. Miss Christina Metzgar, to be 8th Assistant, *vice* Misses Sawyer and Bowne, promoted.

7. Miss Betsy Davis, to be 9th Assistant, *vice* Misses Metzgar and Sawyer, promoted.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, in compliance with a resolution of the Board of Education, making an appropriation for the purchase of apparatus for the use of the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College, submitting a resolution approving for payment a bill under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the bill of James M. Queen & Co., for apparatus supplied the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College, amounting to the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars and forty-five cents (\$190.45) be, and the same is hereby approved for payment.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a committee on Evening Schools, to whom was a recommendation from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward nomination of Charles F. Olney for Principal of School No. 32. The Trustees have submitted William H. Van Cott for Principal of said school, and the Committee recommend he be conferred the requisite license, and submit the following:

*Resolved*, That William H. Van Cott, nominated of the Twentieth Ward for the position of Principal of Evening School No. 32, be, and he is hereby confirmed to said position, to date from the commencement of the year 1891.

A. J. MATHEWSON,  
FERDINAND TRAUD,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President;  
Baker, Beardslee. DOWD 1891.

mittee on Evening Schools, submitting for adoption the following resolution confirming additional Evening School nominations, viz :

*Resolved*, That the following-named persons be, and they hereby are appointed teachers in the Evening Schools for the term of 1875 and 1876, to date from the commencement of service, viz :

1st Ward, Male—George H. King, Assistant.

4th Ward, Male—M. J. O'Connell, Assistant.

5th Ward, Male—Patrick Gleason, Emma Ransom, James T. Carey, John F. Chase, Spencer McNary, Assistants.

7th Ward, Male—Michael H. Siegerson, Margaret A. Barnum, Assistants.

8th Ward, Female—Mary A. McGovern, Assistant.

10th Ward, Male—Peter Morragh, Kate M. Stephens, James Rogers, Assistants.

11th Ward, Male—James H. A. Fitch, Assistant. Female—Eliza McAndrews, Assistant.

12th Ward, Male (No. 37)—Herman H. Raven, Richard L. Busteed, Albert B. Carner Assistants. No. 57, Male—Chancey Truax, Assistant.

12th Ward, Male (No. 57)—David E. Gaddis, Francis Heidenis, Vernon M. Davis, Assistants.

17th Ward, Male (No. 13)—Paul E. Rasch, Edward Jenkins, Charles W. Fischer, Julia Crinnion, Assistants. No. 25, Male—Emma E. Smith, Stanhope W. Marston, Mary C. Reed, E. Ann Mead, William Bettmann, Assistants.

19th Ward, Male—Mary E. Kelly, Assistant.

20th Ward, Male—Maria J. Thompson, Theodore E. Perham, Emma L. Carroll, Emmeline Miller, Edward Pratt, Assistants.

22d Ward, Male—Henry Thompson, Sheppard Banks, Louis Bourguin, Albert G. Payne, Assistants.

23d Ward—Lizzie Sorger, William H. H. Hull, Assistants. Female—Theresa Muller, Assistant.

A. J. MATHEWSON, FERDINAND TRAUD, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the application of French citizens to establish an Evening School class in the Fifteenth Ward, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of French citizens to establish an Evening School class in the Fifteenth Ward be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON, FERDINAND TRAUD, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, for authority to establish an Evening School in Grammar School Building No. 64 ; recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward for authority to establish an Evening School in Grammar School Building No. 64 (Fordham) be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON, } *Committee*  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } *on Evening*  
EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *Schools.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication relative to organizing classes for Cuban emigrants in the Evening Schools ; accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That when thirty pupils make application for the establishment of a class for the instruction of Cuban emigrants, that the Trustees of the several Wards be authorized to establish such class.

A. J. MATHEWSON, } *Committee*  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } *on Evening*  
EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *Schools.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beards'ec, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—19.

*Nay*—Commissioner West—1.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to altering and enlarging Grammar School building No. 9; submitting the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the usual manner for proposals to alter and enlarge Grammar School Building No. 9. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON, C. V. LEWIS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the appeal of James Como from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, in removing him from the position of Janitor of Grammar School No. 64; recommending that the appeal be not sustained, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of James Como from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, in removing him from

the position of Janitor of Grammar School No. 64, be not sustained.

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER,  
S. P. PATTERSON,  
WILLIAM HERRING,  
C. V. LEWIS,

}

Committee  
on  
Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, recommending the payment of sundry bills ; in compliance with the resolutions adopted by this Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to the several school buildings (Jol. pp. 426, 444 and 445,) submitting a resolution for adoption, approving sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following bills for repairs to the several school buildings, incurred under a resolution adopted by this Board, (Jol. pp. 426, 444 and 445,) be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

4th Ward,	Wm. B. Mott.....	\$250 00	
	Mahoney Bros.....	35 41	\$285 41
6th "	Morgan Jones.....	48 40	
	James Sheridan....	41 58	89 98
7th "	John Finley.....	144 30	144 30
9th "	Wm. H. Hawks....	597 70	
	H. Wilson.....	411 53	
	Geo. W. Freed....	248 14	
	Robert Paton & Son.	542 20	1,799 57
12th "	Edward Scallon.....	78 30	
	Patrick McLaughlin	206 62	
	C. W. Williams....	315 84	
	James Pettit.....	178 48	779 24



14th Ward, Wm. T. Roylance..	338 87	
William Ryan.....	156 00	
Gustave Schmidt...	65 90	
John Doran.....	25 00	585 77
16th " John W. Berrian...	300 82	
D. B. Pierson & Son	32 76	
D. B. Pierson.....	72 80	406 38
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WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON, WILLIAM HERRING, C. V. LEWIS,	} Committee on Buildings.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom the subject-matter has been referred, submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, 'That sub.-div. 2, of section 86, page 185 of the Manual, be amended by striking out all after the word "apparatus," on the third line, down to and including the word "previous," on the eighth line, so that said sub-division shall read as follows :

2. Bills incurred for supplies, printing, furniture, repairs, or for fitting up buildings, furniture or apparatus, not exceed

ing two hundred dollars, shall be paid on the approval of said Committee, and charged to the general appropriation made for such purpose. The monthly pay-rolls for the salaries of the teachers and janitors employed in the Normal College and School, shall be audited and approved by said Committee before payment ; and they may excuse the absences of instructors reported on such pay-rolls, but not exceeding five sessions in each month, unless upon approval of the Board of Education, and then only for personal illness, or death in the family of the instructor.

A. P. MAN,	} <i>Committee on</i>	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		<i>By-Laws,</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		<i>Elections and</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		<i>Qualifications.</i>

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that said report be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put then question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, etc., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—17.

*Nays*—Commissioners Kelly, Patterson and West—3.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the

following subject, and recommending that the By-Laws in relation to the Evening Schools, Section 105, page 197 of the Manual, be amended as follows:

Insert after the word "teacher," on the second line, page 197 the words "other than teachers of Music."

Strike out all after the word "had," on the fourth line, page 197, down to and including the word "Music," on the sixth line of the same page, and insert in lieu thereof the words "sufficient experience in the discipline and instruction of male pupils," so that the latter part of said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

"And no female teacher, other than teachers of Music, shall be employed in any Male Evening School, who has not had sufficient experience in the discipline and instruction of male pupils. No teacher shall be appointed as Principal or Assistant in any Evening School unless specially licensed as such by the City Superintendent."

A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in compliance with a resolution

adopted by this Board, (Joúrnal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) appropriating \$21,500 for sundry repairs to the buildings and heating apparatus, &c., submitting a resolution approving sundry bills incurred under said resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills for repairs to the heating apparatus in sundry school buildings, incurred under a resolution adopted by this Board, (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, viz :

Gustav Schmidt, 14th Ward.....	\$348	65
Gillis & Geoghegan, 15th Ward.....	99	25
J. Elder, Jr., 16th Ward.....	189	52
The Simonds Manufacturing Co., 21st Ward..	118	25
S. Farrar, Agt., 24th Ward .....	162	88

DAVID F. BAKER, } *Committee on*  
C. V. LEWIS, } *Warming and*  
WILLIAM HERRING, } *Ventilation.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazletine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the awards made by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward for contracts for erecting a school building on the site lately occupied by Grammar School No. 36, stating that for the mason work eight bids were received, the highest \$53,000, and the lowest \$32,790 ; for the carpenter work, eleven bids were received, the highest \$36,875, and the lowest

\$28,449 ; for the painting work five bids were received, the highest \$2,630, and the lowest \$2,073.

From the bids received the Trustees awarded the contracts as follows: for

Mason work, to Terence Kiernan, for.....	\$33,395 00
Carpenter work, to W. Germond & Co., for	28,449 00
Painting, to W. H. Lunney.....	2,073 00

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Amounting in all to the sum of... ..\$63,917 00

The Committee state that the Board has the "financial ability" to make an appropriation of this amount for the purpose of rebuilding Grammar School Building No. 36, and submit for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of sixty-three thousand nine hundred and seventeen dollars (\$63,917) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of rebuilding Grammar School building No. 36, upon the site lately occupied on East Ninth street, in the Eleventh Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contracts and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the

certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

WM. DOWD,  
EDWARD SCHELL,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,  
LEONARD HAZELTINE,

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*Finance  
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Finance Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, submitting sundry bills for repairs, incurred by them, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$625, provided for by the appropriation made the 16th of June (Jol. pp. 426, 427 and 444 and 445). A resolution authorizing the payment of this amount is submitted :

*Resolved*, That the following bills be, and the same hereby are approved for payment, the amount to be charged to the appropriation “for repairs to buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus” in the respective Wards, made the 16th of June last, as recorded on pages 426–427, and 444 and 445 of the Journal, viz :

John W. Berrian, July 29 and Aug. 24, for general  
repairs to G. S. No. 45.....  
D. B. Pierson, Aug. 31, for flagging yards in G. S.

\$25 32

No. 45.....	85 20
D. B. Pierson & Son, Aug. 4, for rebuilding water closets in G. S. No. 45.....	63 53
B. McGrann, Aug. 4, plumbing, G. S. No. 56 ...	114 10
B. McGrann, July 22 and Aug. 4, roofing, G. S. No. 45.....	90 77
B. McGrann, July 7 and Aug. 27, plumbing, G. S. No. 45.....	46 40
B. McGrann, Aug. 19, repairing roof, G. S. No. 55	195 30
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Total.....	\$620 62

said bills to be paid upon the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the audit of the Finance Committee.

WM. DOWD, EDWARD SCHELL, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, requesting an appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) "for laying out the grounds of the Normal College," stating that the Board has the "ability" to authorize the

appropriation. The resolution submitted by the Committee on Normal Schools is on page 574 of the Journal.

WM. DOWD,  
EDWARD SCHELL,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, } *Finance  
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, as found on page 574 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Wetmore and Wood—16.

*Nays*—Commissioners Dowd, Traud and West—3.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to bills for repairs to Grammar School building No. 27 and Primary School building No. 33, recommending that the bill of Thomas Falvey, for repairs to Grammar School No. 27, amounting to \$84, be paid, the Board having the “ability” to make the payment, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of eighty-four (\$84) dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Thomas Falvey, for repairs done to Grammar School building No. 27, in July last, said bill to be paid on the approval



of the Finance Committee and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

WM. DOWD,  
EDWARD SCHELL,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, } *Finance  
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred, in 1874, the bills of F. Jocks, for repairs to buildings in the Seventeenth Ward, and a communication from said Jocks, presented in July last, in reference to the payment of said bills. The original amount of the claim was \$220.30. Upon an inspection by the Superintendent of School Buildings, the bills were found to be overcharged, and were reduced to the sum of \$181.52. He now offers to accept the reduced sum in full for his claim. The Committee recommend that his offer be accepted, and that the amount be appropriated from the funds of 1873, the Board having the "ability" to do this. The following resolution is submitted in accordance with this recommendation :

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and eighty-one dollars and fifty-two cents (181.52) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund of 1873, for the payment of the bills of F. Jocks, for repairs to Grammar School No. 13 and Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward, done in

the year 1873, said bills to be paid upon the audit of the Finance Committee.

WM. DOWD, EDWARD SCHELL, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of Terence Kiernan for labor, etc., in taking down the walls of Grammar School Building No. 36, after its destruction by fire ; said bill is approved for \$700.45 by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward. Forty-seven dollars (\$47) are deducted from the bill, as an overcharge in the price of the labor. The Board having the “ability” to appropriate the sum required to pay the bill, the Committee recommend that the claim be discharged by the payment of \$653.45, and submit a resolution appropriating the amount named.

*Resolved*, That the sum of six hundred and fifty-three dollars and forty-five cents (\$653.45) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Terence Kiernan, for labor and materials used in taking down the walls of Grammar School Building No. 36, lately destroyed by

fire; said bill to be paid upon the audit of the Finance Committee.

WM. DOWD,                   )  
EDWARD SCHELL,            )  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,            ) *Finance*  
  *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to relaying the flagging on Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth streets, contiguous to the College, stating that the Board has the "ability" to appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) named in the said report, and recommending that the request of the Committee to have said work done by the contractor now engaged in flagging other portions of the College premises be complied with.

The resolution submitted by the Committee on Normal Schools is on pages 593, 594 and 595 of the Journal.

WM. DOWD,                   )  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,            )  
EDWARD SCHELL,            ) *Finance*  
  *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, as found on pages 593, 594 and 595 of the Journal, in connection with this Report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Herring, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Clerk, relative to graduates of the Normal College employed as teachers, etc., as follows :

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }  
New York, October 6, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

✓ GENTLEMEN—In compliance with a resolution adopted September 15, 1875, (Jol. p. 549,) I herewith submit a statement showing :

- 1st. The names and number of the graduates of the Normal College who are employed as Teachers in the Public Schools.
- 2d. The names of all Female Teachers who have not had an experience of two years in the Public Schools of this city, up to the date of this report.

Very respectfully,

LAW. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*

*Names of Teachers employed in the Public Schools who are Graduates of Normal College, and date of Graduation.*

### GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—MALE DEPARTMENTS

No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.	No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.
8	Mary J. Norcott.....	1873	38	Annie M. Dalton.....	1874
9	Kate S. Thompson.....	1873	40	Carrie F. Tower.....	1870
9	Mara B. Shepard.....	1874	46	Hannah T. Murray.....	1874
9	Cora Palmer.....	1874	46	Annie G. Audubon.....	1875
10	Mrs. Helen J. Townsend.	1875	51	Ella Lang .....	1871
13	Kate F. Burke .....	1872	51	Lillie M. Reynolds.....	1874
14	Agnes M. Mullane .....	1870	52	Ella G. Shorey.....	1872
			57	Kate O'Brien.....	1873
			58	Josephine H. Mackenzie.	1873
22	Maggie L. Burns .....	1871	59	Margaret C. Robinson...	1872
25	Thusnelda Gorenflo.....	1871	59	Clara P. Ormsbee.....	1871
27	Louise Kraemer.....	1871	61	Anna Elizabeth Rodney.	1871
29	Kate C. Mahoney.....	1873	62	Maggie C. Dixon .....	1872
32	Julia Clemons.....	1872	62	Helen M. Albro .....	1874
35	Millie F. Gardner.....	1870	62	Haidee Reed.....	1874
35	Annie L. Cantrell.....	1871	65	Mary E. Guy.....	1872
35	Emma M. Pinner .....	1872	65	Louise Haydock.....	1871
36	Laura A. Walmsley.....	1871	65	Dora Eickwort .....	1874
37	Lillie B. Wood .....	1872			

### FEMALE DEPARTMENTS.

2	Lizzie F. Killeen.....	1874	17	Sarah C. Hopper.....	1872
3	M Addie Ryerson.....	1871	17	Urlaville A. Wilbur.....	1873
3	Annie Stone.....	1874	17	Frances Robinson.....	1874
3	Annie L. Egbert.....	1875	17	Fanny B. Bradford.....	1874
4	Ada Louise Courtier....	1874	17	M. Augusta Files.....	1874
7	Amanda D. Tait.....	1871	18	Clara Beck.....	1874
10	Caroline C. Vanderbilt...	1871	19	Barbara Moore.....	1872
13	Susie Roberts.....	1870	20	Josephine Edwards.....	1872
13	Sophie Block.....	1872	20	Rebecca C. Woodward..	1873
13	Barbara Leyendecker...	1875			
15	Emma Rea.....	1870			
15	Sarah Rhoads.....	1870	22	Lily Murray.....	1871
17	Sarah M. Redfield.....	1872	22	Matilda F. Smith.....	1871

No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.	No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.
22	Helen A. Stein.....	1873	46	Hattie H. Hastings.....	1871
27	Clara L. Wolff.....	1872	46	Nellie J. Cunningham....	1871
27	Mary E. Crowley.....	1872	46	Agnes Freedman.....	1874
28	Angela Gallagher.....	1873	47	M. Augusta Requa.....	1870
33	Sarah Werner.....	1872	47	Isabella T. Holkins.....	1870
33	Rebecca Dougherty.....	1873	47	E. Augusta Schoonmaker	1871
33	Elizabeth Moffett.....	1874	47	Anna Banta .....	1872
			47	Caroline C. Jackson.....	1873
			47	Mary R. Davis .....	1874
37	Hattie S. Greenwood....	1871	48	Emily J. Nicholson.....	1873
37	Ellen M. Clarke.....	1872	49	Sarah C. Duffy .....	1871
37	Susie M. Brown.....	1871	49	Margaret J. Finley.....	1872
37	Lydia Lowenstein.....	1874	50	Mary Holmes.....	1870
38	Mary R. Burger.....	1871	50	Mary Berry.....	1869
39	Lydia Amelia Sackett ...	1870	53	Mary T. Geraghty .....	1871
39	Emma Schoonmaker.....	1872	53	Anna C. Kelly.....	1871
41	Ellen Hewlett.....	1873	53	Sarah Breese.....	1872
44	Almira E. Havens.....	1870	53	Mary A. Corbould .....	1874
45	Kate A. McKee.....	1870	59	Sarah Coleman.....	1871
45	Mary L. Jenkins.....	1870	59	Julia Richman.....	1872
45	Alice T. Knox.....	1870	59	Elizabeth F. Anthony ...	1872
45	Fannie C. Roe .....	1874			

PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS.

3	Sarah E. Jones.....	1872	12	Isadore E. Furlong .....	1873
3	Maria T. Kiernan.....	1874	12	Rose O'Reilly.....	1874
3	Sarah E. Wiley .....	1874	12	Esther McCort.....	1874
3	Ida L. Hill .....	1874	13	Isabella Richman.....	1874
4	Emma Haynes .....	1870	13	Clara Cox .....	1874
4	Fannie S. Keyes.....	1874	13	Minnie Cohen .....	1874
4	Amelia M. Lawler .....	1874	14	Sarah R. Edelman.....	1873
4	Addie Williamson .....	1874	14	Cassie A. Keogh.....	1871
4	Marguretta E. Burr.....	1871	14	Anna A. Sowarby .....	1871
4	Mary A. Zetman.....	1875	14	Mary A. Potts.....	1872
6	Agnes Dowdall.....	1875	14	Sarah A. Robinson.....	1874
6	Mary E. Lalor .....	1875	14	Julia M. Smith.....	1870
7	Lizzie E. Smith.....	1870	14	Ida B. Lindheimer.....	1875
7	Tillie E. Ludlam.....	1871	14	Mary Corbally .....	1875
7	Julia Hays.....	1874	15	Sarah E. Weed.....	1872
10	Emily B. Smith .....	1873	15	Minnie Landerman.....	1871
10	Sarah Wheaton.....	1874	15	Johanna Cohn.....	1871
10	Mary Wheaton.....	1875	16	Angie Hall.....	1872

No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.	No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.
17	Carrie Hamlyn .....	1870	33	Jane E. Hughes .....	1874
17	Mary Parsons .....	1872	34	Anna J. McGuire .....	1873
17	Mary Sackett .....	1873	34	Eather Jacobs .....	1874
17	Jennie B. Green .....	1874	35	Eliza Totten .....	1871
17	Kate Fitzpatrick .....	1873	35	Eleanor Vanderbilt .....	1873
17	Eliza Corey .....	1874	36	Carrie M. S. Hill .....	1870
17	Emma Read .....	1874	36	Amelia A. Litson .....	1871
18	Fannie A. Ashforth .....	1872	36	Mary Bauer .....	1873
18	Eliz. F. Touney .....	1872	36	Mary H. Guiles .....	1873
18	Kate D. Hunter .....	1873	37	Clara American .....	1875
18	Mary E. McNamara .....	1874	38	Jennie A. Blackstock .....	1870
19	Nellie A. Craper .....	1874	38	Annie Ramsey .....	1874
19	Bertha Hammel .....	1871	38	Sarah C. Mooney .....	1873
19	J. Iia Crinion .....	1871	38	Mary M. Jordan .....	1871
19	Maria Babcock .....	1873	38	Grace Cook .....	1871
19	Abigail J. Terry .....	1874	39	Sarah Hills .....	1871
20	Addie E. Coulter .....	1870	39	Kate L. Hughes .....	1872
20	Isabella F. O'Neil .....	1873	39	Mary S. De Forest .....	1873
20	Caroline A. Murray .....	1873	40	Emma L. Corts .....	1871
20	M. Louise Nichols .....	1873	40	Katie A. McCann .....	1872
20	Jennie McMains .....	1872	41	Hannah Crow .....	1874
21	Mary May .....	1874	41	Emily Smith .....	1874
22	Minnie Schadel .....	1873	41	Caroline W. Brouner .....	1874
22	Kate S. Hill .....	1874	42	Annie H. Wentworth .....	1871
22	Elizabeth J. Hunter .....	1874	42	Fannie Kutsky .....	1872
22	Hattie Weber .....	1874	42	Mary Newman .....	1872
25	Mary E. Keitley .....	1871	42	Jane Butler .....	1872
25	Ida S. Purdy .....	1872	42	Harriet Benjamin .....	1873
25	Emma J. Roth .....	1872	42	Mina Strasburger .....	1873
25	Helen Lewis .....	1873	42	Helene L. Henley .....	1874
25	Ellie Altschull .....	1874	44	Bridget Meagher .....	1873
25	Julia Coombs .....	1874	45	Marion Simms .....	1872
26	Margaret A. Cook .....	1872	45	Annie G. H. ring .....	1874
26	Mary J. Gallagher .....	1873	45	Sarah McCloskey .....	1874
27	Emma A. McCabe .....	1872	47	Elia J. Huling .....	1874
27	Theodosia C. Wyckoff .....	1874	47	Mary M. Bryan .....	1870
27	Jennie J. Foster .....	1874	47	Kate Audoun .....	1870
27	Maria L. Smith .....	1871	48	Isabella S. Haslett .....	1874
28	Agnes McWhinney .....	1873	48	Margie C. Hay .....	1874
28	Hattie L. Cudlipp .....	1874	48	Terresa A. Murphy .....	1875
32	Emma Baffing .....	1872	49	Arabella Hyland .....	1872
32	Anna A. Graham .....	1873	49	Emily S. Rathurst .....	1872
32	Elin A. Brophy .....	1874	49	Anna A. Crawford .....	1873
33	Isabella Roy .....	1873	49	Fannie S. Hopkins .....	1874
33	Eva L. Merrill .....	1873	50	Ellen J. Kelsey .....	1872
33	Elen L. Quinn .....	1873	51	Minnie E. Spalding .....	1872
33	Sarah A. Hartough .....	1873	51	Mary J. Macbrell .....	1874

No. of School	NAME.	Date of Graduation	No. of School	NAME.	Date of Graduation
51	Isabel E. Finley.....	1874	57	Sarah Jennings.....	1874
53	Anna L. Denning.....	1874	58	Mary E. Hale.....	1872
53	Sarah E. McGivney.....	1874	58	Mary E. Rorer.....	1874
53	Mary L. Cope.....	1874	58	Susan M. Day.....	1874
53	Kate Thompson.....	1874	58	Ida Davidson.....	1873
53	Fannie Du Moulin.....	1872	58	Emily Fletcher.....	1873
53	Mary Spillane.....	1873	59	Lizzie Westbrook.....	1874
56	Anna C. Patton.....	1871	59	Rebecca Hirsch.....	1874
55	Louise Morrison.....	1870	59	Theresa Friend.....	1874
56	Lizzie M. Salisbury.....	1872	59	Mary Foy.....	1874
56	Annie M. Conklin.....	1870	60	Julia M. Griebel.....	1874
56	Ida L. Pollock.....	1872	61	Emma Flannigan.....	1874
56	Ella Kissam.....	1870	68	Hester A. Roberts.....	1875
56	Flora F. Davis.....	1873	68	Adelaide Haydock.....	1874
57	Louise Probst.....	1873	68	Annie Merritt.....	1874
57	Marion Sears.....	1874			

## PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

1	Alice Murray.....	1870	9	Annie C. Keating.....	1874
1	Maggie McQuade.....	1870	10	Agnes Z. Conner.....	1871
1	Carrie Jones.....	1872	10	Anna E. Stewart.....	1873
1	Hattie J. Willis.....	1873	10	Emma A. Walmsley.....	1874
1	Elizabeth Wilson.....	1873	11	Katie E. Wadekind.....	1872
1	Mary Noble.....	1873	11	Esther L. Myhen.....	1874
1	Jennie H. Morris.....	1873	12	Faunie W. Vidal.....	1870
1	Hilma A. Johnson.....	1874	12	Clara L. Byfield.....	1871
1	Margaret C. Eakins.....	1874	12	Libbie M. Wells.....	1874
1	Emily B. Bryan.....	1874	12	Amelia A. McCanary.....	1874
1	Lizzie J. Neal.....	1874	12	Minnie B. Childs.....	1875
2	Eliza McAndrew.....	1870	16	Emily Ennever.....	1874
4	Margery Lucas.....	1871	16	Annie C. Parker.....	1874
4	Ella F. Timms.....	1873	16	Sarah A. Dickey.....	1873
4	Grace V. Talkington.....	1873	16	Emily A. Keogh.....	1872
5	Emily Coles.....	1871	16	Emily Wilson.....	1871
5	Christina McLeod.....	1871	18	Maggie A. Kearney.....	1870
5	Annie Sinclair.....	1874	17	Emma F. Foles.....	1874
5	Mary Q. McCaffrey.....	1874	18	Anna Miller.....	1870
6	Jennette W. Haley.....	1874	19	Kate L. Hobby.....	1874
6	Katie A. McCurt.....	1874	19	Margaret A. Corning.....	1874
7	Mary B. Van Buren.....	1872	19	Katie G. Thompson.....	1875
7	Alice Macdonough.....	1874	20	Martha J. Burn.....	1870
7	Margaret C. McAdam.....	1874	21	Eleanor M. Gallagher.....	1870
8	Kate McHugh.....	1870	21	Abbie H. Comstock.....	1871



No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.	No. of School.	NAME.	Date of Graduation.
21	Bertha Lowenfels .....	1873	29	Mary McGarry .....	1873
21	Mary Burlinson .....	1874			
21	Julia Geraghty .....	1874			
21	Mary Macfarlane .....	1875	31	Catharine F. Rode .....	1872
22	Elizabeth Hewitt .....	1872	31	Sarah Fahey .....	1874
22	Clara Roylance .....	1872	31	Sarah J. Duncan .....	1873
22	Laura McWaters .....	1872	33	Kate Pine .....	1873
22	Isabella C. Palmatier .....	1871	33	Corinne Mills .....	1874
22	Sara Barndollar .....	1873	33	Sarah Ford .....	1874
23	Katie T. Riley .....	1874	33	Mary Mulshine .....	1874
24	Fannie Brownslee .....	1872	33	Emma M. Daly .....	1874
24	Etta T. Pierce .....	1872	33	Kate A. Maguire .....	1874
24	Lizzie Vanderbilt .....	1872	33	Ella Hoag .....	1874
24	Ella Van Beuren .....	1873	33	Eleanor F. Monks .....	1871
25	Emma Neppert .....	1871	33	Adelaide Fairbanks .....	1872
25	Evelina Nungasser .....	1872	35	Kate G. Muldoon .....	1874
25	Katie Lynch .....	1873	35	Miggie Gillespie .....	1871
25	Nannie Leverman .....	1873	35	Emma L. Smith .....	1872
25	Julia Mandelbaum .....	1874	36	Annie E. Shannon .....	1872
25	Jemima Haslett .....	1874	39	Marion Conner .....	1871
27	Emma Lowenthal .....	1874	40	Kate Burnett .....	1872
28	H. Josephine Hatch .....	1870	41	Mary Corey .....	1872
28	Sarah W. Hatch .....	1873	41	Mary E. Fletcher .....	1872

## RECAPITULATION.

Graduates of 1869 .....	1
“ “ 1870 .....	36
“ “ 1871 .....	54
“ “ 1872 .....	69
“ “ 1873 .....	63
“ “ 1874 .....	116
“ “ 1875 .....	16
Total .....	355

*Names of Teachers who have not had Two Years' experience in  
the Public Schools of the City of New York.*

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—MALE DEPARTMENTS.

No. of School.	NAME.	No. of School.	NAME.
5	Mary F. Finnegan	61	Anna Elizabeth Rodney
7	Lizzie S. Douglas	61	Eleanor Hillgroove
9	Kate S. Thompson	62	Mary W. Plumer
9	Mara Bel Shepard	62	Sarah Durell
9	Cora Palmer	62	Maggie C. Dixon
27	Hannah Rosenberg	62	Sarah Doran
29	Kate C. Mahoney	62	Jane E. Fash
38	Anna M. Dalton	62	Lacella Sears
43	Hattie J. Hosford	62	Helen M. Albro
44	Emma Walker	62	Haidee Reed
46	Hannah T. Murray	63	Annie Durell
46	Annie G. Audubon	63	Fanny L. Van Tine
51	Lilie M. Reynolds	63	Ellen M. Van Tine
52	Amelia S. Payson	63	Amelia J. Wilsey
54	Anny Hough	63	Emma Phelps
57	Josephine McCollister	64	Laura Mathews
57	Kate O'Brien	64	Helena Rowell
60	Emma Caulfield	64	Minnie F. Whitten
60	Kate J. Hays	64	Clara Waterman
60	Mary F. Wimpers	65	Mary E. Guy
60	Elizabeth R. Beckwith	65	Mary Boyd Everitt
60	Saidee M. Webb	65	Caroline Q. Thomson
60	Ada C. Ostrander	65	Dora Eickwoort
60	Elizabeth Crowe	66	Alice A. Van Tine
61	Sarah Spratley	67	Margaret Shay
61	Eleanor Ford	68	Sarah A. Ramsey
61	Gertrude Livingston Maring	68	Mrs. Clara Murdock

## FEMALE DEPARTMENTS.

No. of School.	NAME.	No. of School.	NAME.
2	Lizzie F. Killeen	37	Lydia Lowenstein
3	Annie Stone	42	Augusta H. Volkmann
3	Annie L. Egbert	44	Almira E. Havens
4	Ada Louise Courtier	44	Emma M. T. Hazleton
12	Nellie Walsh	45	Alice T. Knox
13	Emma E. Smith	45	Fannie C. Roe
13	Rosalie T. Henmann	46	Nellie J. Cunningham
13	Alice Lutz	46	Agnes Freedman
15	Hulda Goos	47	E. Augusta Schoonmaker
17	Urlaville A. Wilbur	47	Mary R. Davis
17	Fanny Robinson	47	A. Eliza Kellogg
17	Fanny B. Radford	47	Caroline C. Jackson
17	M. Augusta Files	50	Lavinia Nichols
18	Clara Beck	50	Anna M. Sayles
27	Dora Steckler	53	Mary A. Corbould
28	Angela Gallagher	53	Amanda H. Mitchell
30	Rosalie Heylbut	53	Hermine Heylbut
33	Rebecca Dougherty	68	Carrie S. Montfort
33	Elizabeth Moffett		

## PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS.

2	Mary A. Curtis	10	Sarah Wheaton
3	Maria T. Kiernan	10	Augusta Brown
3	Sarah E. Wiley	10	Mary Wheaton
3	Ida L. Hill	12	Isadore E. Furlong
4	Katie R. Roome	12	Rose O'Reilly
4	Annie E. Smith	12	Esther McCort
4	Grace Gedney	13	Emma Olssen
4	Fanny S. Keyes	13	Isabella Richman
4	Amelia M. Lawlor	13	Clara Cox
4	Addie Williamson	13	Minnie Cohen
4	Mary A. Zetzman	14	Sarah A. Robinson
6	Ella Hyatt	14	Ida B. Lindheimer
6	Agnes Dowdell	14	Mary Corbally
6	Mary E. Lalor	17	Jennie B. Green
7	Julia Hays	17	Mary Sackett
10	Ann Augusta Knapp	17	Eliza Corey

No. of School.	NAME.	No. of School.	NAME.
17	Emma Read	39	Mary S. De Forest
18	Mary E. McNamara	39	Frank F. Haynes
19	Elle Hill	40	Katie Lamb
19	Nellie A. Crapser	40	Mary K. Proud
19	Jennie C. Savage	41	Hannah Crow
19	Maria Babcock	41	Emily Smith
19	Bertha Hummel	41	Caroline W. Brouner
19	Lizzie Reid	42	Mina Strasburger
19	Emily Bailey	42	Esther A. Adams
19	Abigail J. Terry	42	Louise H. Rothert
20	M. Louise Nichols	42	Harriet Benjamin
20	Caroline A. Murray	42	Mary Newman
20	Jennie McMains	42	Nellie Denehy
20	Matilda Crimmins	42	Lizzie A. Crowe
21	Mary May	42	Helen L. Henley
22	Kate S. Hill	43	Mary D. Moore
22	Elizabeth J. Hunter	44	Sarah C. Frazer
22	Hattie Weber	45	Lucretia Graham
26	Mary J. Gallagher	45	Annie G. Herring
27	Theodosia C. Wyckoff	45	Sarah McCloskey
27	Jennie J. Forster	47	Ellen J. Huling
27	Maria L. Smith	48	Isabella S. Hackett
31	Margaret Roche	49	Maggie C. Hay
32	Anna A. Graham	48	Teresa A. Murphy
32	Sarah E. Parker	49	Annie Crawford
32	Ella A. Brophy	49	Mary E. McDonald
32	Mary E. Blaney	49	Emily S. Bathurst
32	Emma A. Ide	49	Fannie Hopkins
33	Isabella Roy	49	Jennie M. Pike
33	Eva L. Merrill	49	Lizzie A. Driscoll
33	Ellen L. Quinn	50	Emily A. Ray
33	Sarah A. Hartough	51	Mary J. Mackrell
33	Jane E. Hughes	51	Isabel E. Finley
34	Eliza M. Robinson	53	Anna L. Denning
34	Jeannette L. Coomes	53	Mary Powers
34	Theress W. Norris	53	Sarah McGireney
34	Esther Jacobs	53	Mary A. Spillane
34	Grace H. Follett	54	Lillie A. Moore
35	Eleanor Vanderbilt	55	Mary E. Murray
35	M. Addie Peckham	56	Flora F. Davis
36	Mrs. Maggie A. Foster	57	Louise Probst
36	Mary H. Guiles	57	Minnie Clark
37	Rebecca J. Douglass	57	Marion Seers
37	Isabella McCusker	57	Sarah Jennings
38	Sarah C. Mooney	57	Annie Skinner
38	Annie Ramsey	58	Mary E. Stanton

No. of School.	NAME.	No. of School.	NAME.
58	Susan M. Day	64	Ida F. Feehan
58	Mary Rorer	64	Louise Inslee
60	Caroline L. Purdy	64	Margaret J. Dunham
60	Imogene Upson	65	Ellen A. Bailey
60	Mary J. Archer	65	Elizabeth A. Abercrombie
60	Annie E. Rae	65	Fannie E. Bromiley
60	Minnie Fitzgerald	65	Maria W. Greenhalgh
60	Almira Conklin	65	Anna E. Sharpe
60	Jennie Menzies	69	Julia A. Reynolds
60	Agnes Smith	66	Susan M. Jordan
60	Emma L. Nesbitt	66	Hattie P. Fredenbergh
60	Mary E. Robb	66	Adelaide M. Cowan
60	Ida Dorsett	67	Louise Studwell
60	Julia M. Griebel	67	Lizzie M. Baker
60	Agnes E. Huston	68	Hester A. Roberts
61	Emma Flannigan	68	Adelaide Haydock
62	Anna Teasdale	68	Lizzie Hebbard
63	Adelia J. Westcott.	68	Annie Merritt
63	Myra H. Chapman	68	Emma McKenzie
63	Sara B. Webb	68	Fannie E. Edney

### PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

1	Carrie L. Hallenbeck	7	Mary F. Treanor
1	Rachel S. Harris	8	M. McCloskey
1	Annie M. Thompson	9	Mary L. Pringle
1	Jennie M. Morris	9	Elizabeth C. Renyolds
1	Helena A. Johnson	9	Annie C. Keating
1	Margaret C. Eakins	10	Emma A. Walmley
1	Emily B. Bryan	11	Esther L. Myhan
1	Lizzie J. Neal	12	Agnes M. Dunne
4	Ella F. Timms	13	Fannie W. Vidal
4	Grace V. Talkington	13	Libbie M. Wells
5	Maggie Hillaird	13	Amelia A. McCready
5	Charlotte Bryant	13	Minnie B. Shields
5	Annie Sinclair	16	Emily Ennever
5	Mary Q. McCaffrey	16	Annie C. Parker
6	Sarah L. Hulsart	16	Maggie E. Byrne
6	Carrie A. McCollister	16	Sarah A. Dickey
6	Jeannette W. Haley		
6	Katie A. McCort		
7	Addie Macdonough	17	Emma F. Files
7	Margaret C. McAdam	19	Sarah A. Hunt

No. of School.	NAME.	No. of School.	NAME.
19	Phebe A. Townsend	33	Kate Doyle
19	Annie S. Bailey	33	Ka'e Pine
19	Kate L. Hobby	33	Sophia Liehwess
19	Margaret A. Corning	33	Mary Mulshine
19	Kate G. Thompson	33	Corinne Mills
20	Martha J. Burns	33	Emma M. Daly
20	Elmira H. Hanson	33	Sarah Ford
21	Bertha Lowenfels	33	Kate A. Maguire
21	Mary Burlinson	35	Evelyn A. Holly
21	Julia Geraghty	35	Kate G. Muldoon
21	Mary Macfarlane	35	Maggie Gillespie
22	Isabella C. Palmatier	36	Kate E. McSorley
22	Sara Barndollar	41	Julia Ash
23	Katie T. Riley	42	Elizabeth S. Smith
25	Mary A. Curran	42	Martha Peters
25	Louise F. Ramsey	43	Frances C. Turney
26	Julia Mandelbaum	43	Mary J. Kennedy
26	Jemima Haslett	45	Mary C. Tarbox
27	Emma Lowenthal	45	Sarah E. Tarbox
27	Lizzie Goodyear	45	Martha P. Woodall
28	H. Josephine Hatch	45	M. Louise Wood
28	Sarah W. Hatch	46	Mary A. Gilchrist
29	Mary McGarry	46	Maggie K. Dominick
31	Sarah Fahey	46	Lizzie A. Webb
31	Sarah J. Duncan	47	Sarah E. Stone
33	Sarah Phair		

## COLORED SCHOOLS.

1	Charlotte Elizabeth Thomas	3	Ella Emery
2	Emily B. Magnan	4	Rosa E. G. Hazard
3	Alice C. Wright		

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner HERRING moved that the Board go into an election for Musical Director.

Commissioner HALSTED moved to lay said motion on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Halsted, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the nominations for positions as assistant teachers to fill vacancies in the Evening Schools, made by the Boards of Trustees, be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, and that said Committee have power to reject or confirm the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the amendment to the By-Laws reported by the Committee on By-Laws, etc., relating to the age of pupils in the Evening Schools, and adopted by this Board September 15, 1875, and found on pages 567 and 568 of the Journal, be again referred to the Committee on By-Laws, etc.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the Board adjourn, which was lost.

Commissioner MAN moved that the resolution adopted by the Board Sept. 15, 1875, relative to the age of pupils in the Evening Schools, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Man, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the Board adjourn, which was lost.

Commissioner WOOD called up the resolution offered by him at the special meeting of the Board, held on Sept. 22, as found on page 595 of the Journal, relative to the licenses of teachers in Evening Schools.

On motion—

*Ordered*, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner WOOD gave notice that a resolution would be offered at the next meeting of the Board that the name of the "Model School" be changed to that of the "Training School of the Normal College."

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*





## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, SCHELL, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners HERRING and PATTERSON—2.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on Oct. 6, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WOOD moved to amend pages 641 and 644 (where one of the graduates of the Normal College, in G. D. G. S. No. 50, is credited to the year 1869, the same being erroneously reported), by striking out “1869,” and inserting “1870.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

### **COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, protesting against the proposed change in the department of music.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the resignation of two of the Trustees.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Miss Annie D. Kydd for Vice-Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 38, *vice* Miss E. Inslee, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, protesting against the

action of the Board of Education in relation to the proposed change in the system of Musical Instruction.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss Mary E. Beilby, M. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Sarah A. Baker, P. D. G. S. No. 15.

Mrs. Louise T. Warner, P. D. G. S. No. 15.

Miss Eugenia Green, P. D. G. S. No. 22.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating Miss Elizabeth Loveridge for Principal of G. S. No. 56, *vice* Miss Mary A. Simms, resigned, and Miss Adeline V. Sutton for Vice Principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating a teacher for Evening School No. 25.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking permission to use the janitor's rooms in P. S. No. 33 for play-rooms.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$399.57, for the payment of bills of Thomas Falvey for carpenter work on school buildings in said Ward.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Helen V. Babcock, of G. D. G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, nominating a teacher for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following report from the City Superintendent :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, Oct. 20th, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—As required by law I have the honor to report that, during the month preceding this date, I have directed the usual annual examination of all the Corporate Schools under the control of the Board, in compliance with the statute regulation.

The following schools have been visited for this purpose, namely: those of the New York Orphan Asylum, the Protestant Half-Orphan Asylum, the House of Refuge, the Leake and Watts' Orphan House, the Colored Orphan Asylum, the American Female Guardian Society, the Ladies' Home Missionary Society, the Five Points House of Industry, the New York Juvenile Asylum, the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, the Children's Aid Society and the New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled; in all, 46 schools.

The whole number of pupils on register in these schools was found to be 10,724, of whom 8,651 were examined. The number of teachers employed is 203, most of whom are unlicensed by any officer of the City or State. In all other respects the schools

The institutions with which they are co engaged in a work of charity which deserves commendation and encouragement. The Fen has 12 schools under its care, and employs Children's Aid Society has 20 schools, employed. The work performed by these societies, auxiliary to that of the public schools, are provided with food and clothing and the school, and when their condition admits of the Public Schools. The Children's Aid Society schools for the instruction of foreign children, schools visited are exclusively for Italians, German children or those of German parents. Children receive donations of food and clothing. The system of instruction in these schools is real and in the main effective.

Under the direction of the undersigned, they have all been visited and carefully inspected on the 4th inst. Previous to that date 10,450 attended, and the whole number enrolled up to 15,724. Of these, the average attendance for 10,372, and for the second week 10,651, show a very large amount of attendance.

parents believing them to be in regular attendance at school, while they were spending their time in the streets or elsewhere, often with vicious and depraved associates.

The time at which the Evening Schools are required to be opened is too early to secure a punctual attendance of the pupils; indeed, only a small fraction of the nightly attendance is thus punctual. I suggest that the time for opening the male schools be changed from 6½ o'clock to 7½ o'clock, and that the session continue until 9½ o'clock. The pupils of these schools do not leave their work till 6 P. M., and of course need an hour or more to prepare for attendance at school. A similar change is needed in the female schools.

The organization and classification of the schools seem to be generally as good as the circumstances permit, and the order and discipline, with but few exceptions, quite commendable. In addition to the enrollment in the Evening Schools above reported, 1,935 pupils have been admitted into the Evening High School, of whom there has been an average attendance during the first two weeks of the term of 1,462. This school is well organized and prepared for effective service.

The returns for the day schools for September show that there were on register in the Grammar and Primary Schools, at the close of the month, 112,757 pupils, and that the average attendance for the month was 100,751. This shows an increase over last year of 4,000 in the enrollment, and of 4,789 in the average attendance. The principal increase has been in the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, some of the schools of which are still densely crowded. The average attendance for the month at the new school in 128th street was, in the male department, 266; in the female department, 206, and in the primary department, 492,—in the aggregate, 964. In the new building for Primary School No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, there are still several unoccupied rooms.



Appended to this report is the list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism during September was in excess of twenty per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a report from the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, October 20, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from Oct. 6th to the 19th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the agents is 455. Of this number 109 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 67 whose residence could not be found, leaving 279 truants and non-attendants, of which number 266 have been placed in school, 4 committed to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, 1 committed to care of Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 8 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from

school 2 have left the city, 1 been placed in Juvenile Asylum, and 5 placed in Catholic Protectory.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

The total number of children committed to Randall's Island from March 1st, 1875, to date, is 41. Of this number 12 have been released, and 5 have escaped ; leaving 24 still confined under the compulsory Education Law.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Supt. of Truancy*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents. . . .	36	
“ “ sickness. . . . .	48	
“ “ poverty. . . . .	25	
“ whose residence could not be found. . . . .	67	
		—
Total number not classed as truants. . . . .		176
No. of children found to be truants. . . . .	153	
“ “ habitual truants. . . . .	56	
“ “ non-attendants . . . . .	70	
		—
Total number of truants and non-attendants. . . . .		279
		—
Total number of cases investigated. . . . .		455
No. of truants returned to school. . . . .	147	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school. . . . .	49	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school. . . . .	70	
“ “ children withdrawn from school. . . . .	8	

No. of children committed to Commissioners of	
Charities and Correction.....	4
“ “ “ committed to Society for Reforma-	
tion of Juvenile Delinquents...	1

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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school. 279

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Superintendent of Truancy, relative to the children sent to Randall's Island under the compulsory law, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }  
 (Corner of Grand and Elm Streets,) }  
 NEW YORK, Oct. 20th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I beg to lay before you a communication addressed by me on the 19th inst. to the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, in relation to the children placed in their charge under the Compulsory Education Law, with their reply to the same, and request that the matter may be referred to an appropriate committee.

Respectfully,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Supt. of Truancy.*

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }  
 (Corner of Grand and Elm Streets,) }  
 NEW YORK, October 19th, 1875. }

*To the Commissioners of Charities and Correction of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have been informed that it is your intention to

discontinue the "Nursery" at Randall's Island on or before the 1st day of January, 1876, and that you desire no more children should be sent there under the "Compulsory Education Act."

I understand that this action on your part is in conformity with the requirements of an Act passed at the last Session of the Legislature of this State. I should feel obliged to you if you would inform me upon this subject at the earliest possible moment, in order that I may lay the matter before the Board of Education.

Respectfully yours,

[Signed]

ALEX. M. STANTON,

*Superintendent of Truancy.*

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND }  
CORRECTION, No. 66 Third Avenue. }

Isaac H. Bailey,  
Thomas S. Brennan,  
Townsend Cox,

*Commissioners.*

NEW YORK, Oct., 20, 1875.

ALEXANDER M. STANTON, Esq.,

*Superintendent of Truancy.*

SIR—I am instructed by this Board to transmit a copy of the law, and the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, on the Act to provide for the better care of pauper and destitute children, passed April 24, 1875, in reply to your communication of 19th instant.

Respectfully yours,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,

*Secretary.*

From Secretary of State—

CHAP. 173.

AN ACT to provide for the better care of pauper and destitute children.

Passed April 24, 1875, three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. On and after January first, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, it shall not be lawful for any justice of the peace, police justice, or other magistrate, to commit any child over three and under sixteen years of age as vagrant, truant, or disorderly, to any county poor-house of this State ; or for any county superintendent or overseer of the poor, or other officer, to send any such child, as a pauper, to any such poor-house for support and care, unless the child be an unteachable idiot, an epileptic or paralytic, or be otherwise defective, diseased or deformed, so as to render it unfit for family care ; but such justice of the peace, police justice, or other magistrate, and also such county superintendent or overseer of the poor, or other officer, shall commit or send such child or children not above exempted to some orphan asylum or other charitable or reformatory institution, as now provided for by law.

§ 2. It shall be the duty of the County Superintendent of the Poor, or other proper officers charged with the support and relief of indigent persons of the several counties of this State, in which there are county poor-houses, to cause the removal of all children between the age of three and sixteen (not exempted by the first section of this act,) from their respective poor-houses, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and

seventy-six; and also to cause the removal of those who may hereafter come under the care and control, or hereafter be born in such poor-houses, before they shall have arrived at the age of three years, and provide for their support and care in families, orphan asylums, or other appropriate institutions, as now provided for by law; and the Boards of Supervisors of the several counties, are hereby required to take such action in the matter as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. In placing any such child in any such institution it shall be the duty of the officer, justice, or person placing it there, to commit such child to an orphan asylum, charitable or other reformatory institution that is governed or controlled by officers or persons of the same religious faith as the parents of such child, as far as practicable.

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STATE OF NEW YORK,  
Office of the Secretary of the State, } ss.

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and seal of office of the Secretary of State, at the city of Albany, this eighth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

[L. s.]

DIEDRICH WILLERS, JR.,

*Secretary of State.*

[Copy.]

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }  
NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Esq., *Secretary of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.*

SIR—Your letter to me of the 6th instant encloses a printed copy of an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the better care of pauper and destitute children,” passed April 24th, 1875. You request my opinion in respect to the effect of this law on the powers and duties of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction; and also whether the Department of Public Charities and Correction becomes chargeable for the maintenance of such children, provided places cannot be obtained for them to earn their own livelihood.

I have examined the Act transmitted by you, and I am of the opinion that it applies to the City of New York, and that under its provisions it is the duty of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, on or before the 1st January, 1876, to cause the removal of all children between the ages of three and sixteen, not exempted by the first section of the Act, from the institutions under their charge; and also to cause the removal of children between those ages who may hereafter come under their care and control, or may hereafter be born in such institutions before they shall have arrived at the age of three years, and to provide for the support and care of all such children in families, orphan asylums, or other appropriate institutions. In case places cannot be found for such children, or any of them, where they can earn their own livelihood, they must be supported through the Department of Public Charities and Correction at the city's

expense, and the funds necessary therefor must be provided by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the usual manner.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. DELAFIELD SMITH,

*Counsel to the Corporation.*

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

A memorial from the Principals of Grammar and Primary Departments, submitting objections to the proposed change in the system of Musical Instruction in the Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Hon. Neil Gilmour, State Superintendent, relative to Industrial Drawing.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Mrs. Eliza B. Burns, relative to teaching Phonic Shorthand in the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.



From C. Mahoney, asking to have Musical Charts placed on the list of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Frank Leslie, Esq., President of the New York State Centennial Board, relative to the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Mrs. C. L. Slade, relative to needle-work in the schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to advertise for proposals for delivering the supplies to the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, for the year 1876 ; also for proposals for printing on account of this Board, for the year 1876 ; and that the Committee be empowered to reject any and all bids if deemed for the public interest.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood, in accordance with notice given at the meeting of the Board held Oct. 6, (Journal, page 651,) moved that the name of the "Model School," be changed to that of "The Training School of the Normal College."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved to amend section 104, subdivision 1, of the By-Laws, (pp. 194 and 195 of the Manual), so that it will read as follows :

“ The school exercises in Male Evening Schools shall be commenced at 7½ o'clock, and close at 9½ o'clock ; and the school exercises in Female Evening Schools shall be commenced at 7 o'clock, and close at 9 o'clock in the evening of the usual school days. The doors shall be opened a quarter of an hour before the regular time of commencement of school exercises, at which time the teachers shall be present to maintain order, and to make all necessary preparations for the commencement of the school exercises. It shall be the duty of the Principal to be in attendance at the school building during two weeks previous to the opening session in the Male Schools, between the hours of 7 and 9½ o'clock, and in the Female Schools between the hours of 6½ and 9 o'clock, each evening, for the examination, registration, and classification of pupils applying for admission.”

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending the payment of sundry bills, in compliance with the resolution of the Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to the several school buildings (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), submitting a resolution approving sundry bills incurred under said resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills for repairs to the heating apparatus in sundry school buildings, incurred under a resolu-

tion adopted by the Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, viz :

4th Ward, Geo. H. Kitchen & Co.....\$187 00  
14th Ward, J. J. Roese..... 130 03

DAVID F. BAKER, FERDINAND TRAUD, C. V. LEWIS, LAWSON N. FULLER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a resolution adopted October 6th, directing them to report to the Board the names of three additional Agents of Truancy, and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following named gentlemen be, and they hereby are appointed Agents of Truancy, at an annual salary of thirteen hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,350) each, to be paid from the fund set apart for the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Act, from the commencement of service :

John W. Curtin.... Fordham.  
John S. Ketcham.....254 West 24th street.  
Augustus L. Heckler.....232 East 39th street.

R. W. TOWNSEND, HENRY P. WEST, A. P. MAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West and Wetmore—18.

*Nay*—Commissioner Wood—1.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, in compliance with the resolution adopted by this Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to the several school buildings (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), submitting a resolution for adoption approving sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following bills for repairs to the several school buildings, incurred under a resolution adopted by this Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445) be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

1st Ward,	Joseph Ross.....	\$ 92 87	\$ 92 87
9th	“ George W. Freed.....	111 60	111 60
11th	“ Patrick O'Reilly.....	125 99	
“	“ Butcher & Butler.....	554 18	
“	“ Guy Culgin.....	111 31	791 48
12th	“ William Cowen.....	108 76	
“	“ Thomas Falvey.....	110 26	
“	“ J. & W. C. Spears.....	135 66	
“	“ James E. Poole.....	156 36	
“	“ Robert C. Brown.....	63 60	
“	“ Patrick McLaughlin.....	13 92	
“	“ John McGonegal.....	125 00	713 56
13th	“ George H. Pitts.....	48 00	

13th Ward,	Hugh Nesbitt.....	149 00	
"	" George Vassar.....	237 88	
"	" William Hennessy.....	52 54	
"	" John H. Gottker.....	150 95	638 37
14th	" William T. Roylance.....	48 62	
"	" Charles S. Sherman.....	77 09	125 71
20th	" Emil Ratzel.....	681 92	681 92
23d	" Edw. Gustaveson.....	751 69	751 69
24th	" P. McDermott.....	165 40	165 40
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			\$4,072 60

Wm. Dowd, David F. Baker, C. V. Lewis,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, in compliance with resolutions of the Board of Education, making appropriations for the purchase of apparatus, &c., for the Departments of Physics and Natural Science in the Normal College, submitting a resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the following-named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

New York Calcium Light Co., Dept. of Physics.....\$26 70

E. & H. T. Anthony & Co., Dept. of Physics.....	7 00
“ “ “ “ “ .....	36 00
Jesse S. Cheyney, Dept. of Natural Science.....	2 50

WILLIAM WOOD,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,

}

Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commis-ers Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, stating that the Board of Education having appropriated one thousand dollars for improving and beautifying the grounds around the Normal College, the Committee respect-fully ask for authority to advertise for proposals for doing said work, and submitting a resolution to that effect, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal Schools be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for improving the grounds around the Normal College Buildings, in accordance with specifications to be prepared under the directions of the Committee.

WILLIAM WOOD,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,

}

Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting the following resolution, regulating the salaries to be paid to the corps of teachers employed in the Model School, and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the teachers employed in the Model School be paid in accordance with the following schedules :

General Assistant, Catharine Coleman.....		\$800 per annum	
1st	" Jane McElhinney.....	780	"
2d	" Emma Requa,.....	750	"
3d	" Jane B. Merrill.....	715	"
4th	" Hattie Patterson.....	660	"
5th	" Alice Neustadt.....	630	"
6th	" Eugenia J. Bowne.....	600	"
7th	" Alice Sawyer.....	570	"
8th	" Christina Metzgar.....	550	"
9th	" Betsy B. Davis.....	540	"
10th	" Ella Calkins.....	530	"
11th	" Fanny Rutler.....	525	"
12th	" Henrietta Japha.....	520	"
13th	" Lizzie Knight.....	515	"
14th	" Carra N. Crane.....	510	"
15th	" Susie Tower.....	505	"
16th	" Sarah Acker.....	500	"
		<hr/> \$10,200	

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee</i>	
J. M. HALSTED,			
ALBERT KLAMROTH,			
LAWSON N. FULLER,			
		<i>on</i>	
		<i>Normal Schools</i>	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from Messrs. Von Glahn and Mitchell, proposing to resign their positions as Trustees of the Sixth Ward, stating that the Committee have carefully considered the matter referred to them in said communication, and embody their conclusions in the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this Committee, after a protracted and careful hearing of all the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, consider that the charges made by the minority against the majority are not sustained by the evidence produced before your Committee. There is no doubt, however, that misunderstandings have existed between the members of the Board, and some irregularities have also occurred ; but as your Committee has a high opinion of all those gentlemen, it strongly recommends them to endeavor to arrange their difficulties amicably among themselves, and advises the Board of Education not to accept the resignations of Messrs. Von Glahn and Mitchell.

DAVID WETMORE,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,  
HENRY P. WEST,  
EUGENE KELLY,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
WILLIAM WOOD,  
C. V. LEWIS,

} Committee  
on  
Nomination  
of  
Trustees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.



Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, stating that "during the late cruise of the Ship *St. Marys*, she was so much injured by running upon a rock near New London, as to require repairs to her keel and copper." The Committee propose to have these repairs done, which, from the estimates obtained, will cost about one thousand dollars, and request authority from the Board to carry out this proposition, submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee on Nautical School be, and they hereby are authorized to have the Ship *St. Marys* docked and repaired, at an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000,) the bills to be paid upon the approval of said Committee, and the sum expended to be charged to the fund for the Organization and Establishment of a Nautical School, provided by the Act of April 24, 1873.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee on Nautical School.</i>
WM DOWD,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		

. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, stating that the edition of the "Teachers' Manual" authorized by this Board (Jol. of 1872, p. 720) has been exhausted, and that frequent demands are being made for the same, and submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are authorized to have printed five hundred copies of the "Teachers' Manual," at an expense not to exceed one hundred and fifty-five dollars, for the use of the teachers in the Public Schools.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, Wetmore, West and Wood—19.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Misses Jennette Robertson and Sarah J. Burke for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 4, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Jennette Robertson and Miss Sarah J. Burke, nominated by the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 4, they having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications be, and they hereby are appointed to said positions, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly,

Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Dubois B. Frisbee for the position of Vice-Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 4, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Dubois B. Frisbee, nominated by the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, for the position of Vice-Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No 4, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} Committee on Teachers
WM. DOWD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board 'would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Miss Antoinette Brush for the position of Vice-Principal of Grammar Department of Grammar School No 47, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Antoinette Brush, nominated by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 47, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>	
WM. DOWD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		<i>on</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Section 104, (pp. 194 and 195 of the Manual) relative to the time of opening and closing the Evening Schools, recommending that said amendment be adopted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Section 104, 1st sub-division, (pp. 194 and 195 of the Manual) be amended so as to read as follows :

“SECTION 104. The school exercises in Male Evening Schools shall be commenced at 7½ o'clock, and close at 9¼ o'clock, and the school exercises in Female Evening Schools shall be commenced at 7 o'clock, and close at 9 o'clock in the evening of the usual school days. The doors shall be opened

a quarter of an hour before the regular time of commencement of school exercises, at which time the teachers shall be present to maintain order, and to make all necessary preparations for the commencement of the school exercises. It shall be the duty of the Principal to be in attendance at the school during two weeks previous to the opening session in the Male School, between the hours of 7 and 9½ o'clock, and in the Female Schools between the hours of 6½ and 9 o'clock each evening, for the examination, registration and classification of pupils applying for admission."

A. J. MATHEWSON, R. W. TOWNSEND, EDWARD O. JENKINS, FERDINAND TRAUD, LEONARD HAZELTINE,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner MAN presented the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, submitting the list of supplies to be furnished to the schools during the year 1876 (Journal of this date, pp. 685 and 686).

Laid over under the rule, three members objecting thereto.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, requesting authority to expend one thousand dollars for repairs to the ship *St. Marys*, stating

that the Board has the “financial ability” to make the appropriation named from the special fund designated in the report of said Committee, which report is recorded upon the Journal of this date.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, EDWARD SCHELL, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as found on page 676 of the Journal of this date, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred in April last the Report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending the purchase of four lots on the north side of West Fifty-sixth street, between the Ninth and Tenth avenues, for the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000), stating that the Board has the “ability” to make the purchase, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of four lots of ground, the dimensions of which are one hundred feet front and rear by one hundred feet deep (100x100 ft.), located on the north side of West Fifty-sixth

... is satisfactory, and the  
... May 10, A. term  
City of New York; Provided,  
upon said described lots is first  
the same are excavated to the d  
street curb.

WM. D.  
LEONARD  
EDWARD  
R. G. 1

The PRESIDENT put the question  
adopt said resolution, and it was dec  
follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., J  
ers Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, E  
Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Math  
Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—1

Commissioner DOWD presented a  
Committee, to whom was referred the  
on School Furniture, recommending th  
the use of Primary School No. 38, str  
the "ability" ...

hereby are authorized to purchase a piano for the use of Primary School No. 33, in the Nineteenth Ward, at an expense not exceeding three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375), the piano now in use in said school to be used in part payment, at the discretion of the Committee, and the sum expended to be charged to the appropriation for pianos.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, EDWARD SCHELL, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner MAN moved that the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be recommitted, in order that they report forthwith.

The objection thereto being withdrawn, the PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Man, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the amended by-laws with reference to instruction in music in the Public Schools, and all resolutions re-



lating thereto, be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy to consider the same, and report to this Board what changes, if any, are necessary in this respect.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the whole matter be laid over until the third of November, with the exception of the regulation affecting the teachers of music now employed by the Board.

Commissioner TOWNSEND moved as a substitute for the motion of Commissioner Wood, that so much of the by-law as affects the term of service of the said teachers of music be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and that they be instructed to report forthwith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Townsend, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE moved to reconsider the report of the Finance Committee relative to the purchase of a piano for Primary School No. 33.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would reconsider said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE moved to amend said report by striking out "Primary School No. 33, in the Nineteenth Ward," and inserting "Primary Department of Grammar School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner MAN asked leave of the Board to present the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the list of supplies.

By consent of the Board, Commissioner MAN presented said report, as follows :

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, stating that in preparing the list of supplies for 1876, herewith presented, they have had under discussion the propriety of dispensing with the use of geographies, arithmetics, and table books as text books in the Primary Schools and departments, and it appearing to your Committee, after a careful consideration, that such a course would ensure a better system of instruction, and effect a considerable reduction in the cost of supplies, they have concluded to recommend its adoption, and submit for adoption the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the list of books, maps, charts, &c., herewith submitted be, and the same is hereby adopted for the use of the schools under the control of the Board of Education for the year 1876, and that the adoption of the list of geographies, arithmetics and table books be during the pleasure of the Board.

*Resolved*, That the said list be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with directions to print the same, and advertise for proposals to supply the schools with the various articles enumerated therein.

*Resolved*, That the use of geographies, arithmetics, and table books as text books in the Primary Schools, be, and the same is hereby discontinued, wall maps being allowed for teaching geography. The Committee would, however, state that this resolution is not to prevent the teachers from using arithmetics and geographies as books of reference.

A. P. MAN, EDW'D O. JENKINS, ALBERT KLAMROTH, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on          Course of Study          and          School Books.</i>
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Commissioner BEARDSLEE called for a division of the question, and that the third resolution be laid over until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved that the first resolution be amended by striking out the words, "and that the adoption of the list of geographies, arithmetics and table books be during the pleasure of the Board."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner DOWD moved to strike out from the list as reported by the Committee, on page 26, the following: "McDonald's anatomical models, painted in oil colors—1, Human skeleton complete; 2, Human figure; 3, Life size trunk or body."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Dowd, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the first and second resolutions, as submitted by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—13.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Kelly, Lewis and West—6.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved that the third resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., be laid on the table until the next meeting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, stating that having had under consideration the matters referred to them in relation to the termination of the employment of the present teachers of music in the Public Schools, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the third sub-division of the by-law which appears on page 444 of the Journal, and is there marked as sub-division No. 3, be, and the same and its operations are suspended till the further order of the Board of Education.

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
A. P. MAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazletine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner BAKER called up his resolution to refer the question relative to music teachers to the Committee on Salaries and Economy. (Journal of this date, p. 683.)

On motion of Commissioner JENKINS—

*Ordered*, That the resolution of Commissioner Baker be laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1875.**

STATED SESSION.

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TOWNSEND, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE, WILKINS and WOOD—19.

*Absent*—Commissioners KELLY and MAN—2.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on Oct. 20, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Morris Wilkins, submitting his resignation as Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-fourth Ward.

On motion of Commissioner BEARDSLEE, said resignation was accepted, and the communication referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. Wm. H. Wickham, Mayor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, October 27th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York:*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with

chapter 112 of the laws of 1873, I have this day appointed as a Commissioner of Common Schools of the City of New York, MORRIS WILKINS, in place of William Herring, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said William Herring, which terminates on the 1st day of January, 1878.

Very respectfully,

W. H. WICKHAM;  
*Mayor.*

*Ordered*, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had assigned Commissioner Wilkins to all the Committees of which Commissioner Herring had been a member.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Catharine J. McCabe, Principal of P. S. No. 12.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Sarah F. Miller V. P. F. D. G. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for the appointment of a teacher of Phonography in the Evering School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to additional compensation for the Janitor of G. S. No. 24.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary J. Mulledy, P. D. G. S. No. 24.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. Kate Fitzpatrick, teacher of music.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss A. T. Manning, P. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to the closing of G. S. No. 31 for one day.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the introduction of Phonography in the Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$6.25 to pay a bill for printing for the Evening School.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for new desks in one of the class-rooms of G. S. No. 38.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.



From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a school for colored children in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Colored Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for payment of a bill for printing posters for Evening Schools.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking for authority to appoint a teacher in G. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation to repair the wings on the north side of G. S. building No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Sarah C. Clark, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Miss Louisa S. Brady, P. D. G. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation to pay the bill of George Vandewater, for printing for the Evening School.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary A. Simms, Principal G. S. No. 56.

Miss L. D. Terhune, P. D. G. S. No. 11.

Miss Anna C. Patten, P. D. G. S. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for authority to organize a class for the instruction of deaf mutes.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for repairs to the piano in G. D. G. S. No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, for authority to paint the outside of P. S. building No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, nominating teachers for the Male Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. Clara E. Ives, of P. D. G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers:

Miss F. A. Makewen, P. D. G. S. No. 28.

Miss Susie Hill, F. D. G. S. No. 51.

Miss Mary J. McGaughlin, F. D. G. S. No. 51.

Miss Josephine McKenzie, M. D. G. S. No. 58.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for the introduction of Architectural and Mechanical Drawing in the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, making the award of contracts for alterations and furniture to G. S. building No. 9, and asking for an appropriation of \$8,377 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, nominating teachers for Evening School No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for an additional teacher in P. D. G. S. No. 64.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for pay for services of a watchman at the new building at Forham, from January 15 to September 20, 1875.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from

the City Superintendent, transmitting the sum of twenty-five cents received from a former pupil of one of the schools, to pay for a text-book taken from the school.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a report from the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, November 3, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from October 19th to the 30th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents is 626.

Of this number 239 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 121 whose residence could not be found, leaving 266 truants and non-attendants, of which number 250 have been placed in school, 3 committed to the care of the Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 13 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school, 4 have left the city, 4 have gone to work, and 5 been placed in reformatory institutions by their parents.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully yours,  
[Signed] ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

## SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents....	135	
“ “ sickness.....	76	
“ “ poverty.....	28	
“ whose residence could not be found.	121	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		360
No. of children found to be truants.....	172	
“ “ habitual truants.....	48	
“ “ non-attendants .....	46	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		266
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Total number of cases investigated.....		626
No. of truants returned to school.....	162	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school.....	42	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school... ..	46	
“ “ children withdrawn from school.....	13	
“ “ committed to Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents.....	3	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.		266

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Mrs. Helen E. Brown, President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, asking for permission to give instruction on the subject of temperance in the schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Hon. A. H. Green, Comptroller, relative to reports of gas used in the schools.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From Francis W. Houghton, relative to military drill in the Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Principals of several schools, asking that H. Millard's School Song Book, entitled "Silver Threads of Song," be placed on the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT DEBATE.**

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That so much of the report of the City Superintendent submitted to this Board at its last stated session as relates to the Evening Schools be, and is hereby referred to the Committee on Evening Schools of this Board for investigation and report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Whereas*, There are at present a number of Grammar Schools in

this city having a very small attendance of pupils, and consequently supported at great expense, while the children attending said schools could be accommodated in other schools; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Salaries and Economy be, and they are hereby instructed to investigate and report to this Board which of the Grammar Schools should, in the interests of economy, be consolidated, without detriment to the interests of education and of the pupils, so as to reduce thereby the outlay, and afford increased facilities for Primary instruction.

*Resolved*, That the City Superintendent be, and he is hereby instructed to furnish the aforesaid Committee such information as may be necessary for the proper consideration of the above matter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would refer said resolutions without instructions to the Committee on Salaries and Economy, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Whereas*, It is made the duty of this Board, by the sixth section of the Act of March 21st, 1873, as amended April 15th, 1873, chapter 112 and 221 of the laws of 1873, on the first Wednesday of December in each year, to appoint "One Trustee for each Ward, to hold office for the term of five years from the first day of January then next ensuing:" therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Nomination of Trustees be, and they are hereby requested to nominate to this Board suitable persons, residents of the Wards for which they may

be nominated, and citizens of the United States, as prescribed by the Legislature in the Acts quoted, as Trustees of Common Schools, for five years from the first of January next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending an amendment to section 105, pages 196 and 197 of the Manual, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws, section 105, pages 196 and 197 of the Manual, be amended by striking out the last paragraph, viz :—" No teacher shall be appointed as Principal or Assistant in any Evening School, unless specially licensed as such by the City Superintendent."

R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &amp;c.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

Commissioner TRAUD presented a minority report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting objections to the adoption of the report of the majority of said Committee, amending section 105 of the Manual, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the resolution presented by the majority of the Committee on By-Laws, proposing to amend the latter part



of section 105 of the Manual, be, and the same is hereby rejected.

FERDINAND TRAUD, { *Minority of  
Committee on  
By-Laws, &c.*

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the reports be laid over.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner JENKINS moved that the report of the minority be substituted in place of that of the majority.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved that the report be laid over until the next meeting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report, as submitted by the minority, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Jenkins, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Wetmore and Wilkins—11.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Halsted, Hazeltine, Lewis, Schell, Townsend, West and Wood—8.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, appointing Miss Betsy B. Davis to the position of Tutor in Latin and Calisthenics in the Normal College, *vice* Miss Eliza F. Chisholm, resigned, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Betsy B. Davis be, and she hereby is appointed to the position of Tutor in Latin and Calisthenics in the Normal College, *vice* Miss Chisholm, resigned, at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars ; to date from the commencement of service.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee
J. M. HALSTED.	
R. W. TOWNSEND,	
ALBERT KLAMROTH,	
LAWSON N. FULLER,	
	on
	<i>Normal Schools.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, appointing Miss Carrie G. Roberts to fill the vacancy in the Model School, caused by the promotion of Miss Davis, and promoting several teachers in the said school, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That Miss Carrie G. Roberts be, and she hereby is appointed to the position of sixteenth assistant in the Model School, at an annual salary of five hundred dollars, to date from the commencement of service.

*Resolved*, That the following named teachers employed in the Model School be assigned to the positions and paid their salary in accordance with the following schedule :

9th	Assistant,	Miss Ella Calkins.....	\$540 00
10th	"	" Fanny Rutler.....	530 00
11th	"	" Henrietta Japha..	525 00
12th	"	" Lizzie Knight.....	520 00
13th	"	" Carra N. Crane...	515 00
14th	"	" Susie Tower.....	510 00
15th	"	" Sarah Acker.....	505 00

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, R. W. TOWNSEND, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins. Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to increasing the salary of Mr. G. Mangold, instructor in Music in the Normal College, to \$3,000 per annum, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Musical exercises at the Saturday sessions of the Normal College be placed in charge of Mr. G. Mangold, the Musical Instructor at the Normal College proper; and further,

*Resolved*, That the salary of Mr. G. Mangold be fixed at three

thousand dollars (\$3,000) per annum from the day of the passage of this resolution by the Board of Education.

WILLIAM WOOD,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
R. W. TOWNSEND,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,

}

Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.

Three Commissioners objecting to the consideration of the report, it was

*Ordered,* That said report be laid over until the next meeting.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Norinal Schools, approving for payment sundry bills for apparatus, &c., supplied the Normal College, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

E. & H. T. Anthony & Co., Department of	
Physics.....	\$35 62
James W. Queen & Co., Department of Natural	
Science.....	151 85
Jesse S. Cheyney, Department of Physics.....	26 50

WILLIAM WOOD,  
J. M. HALSTED,  
R. W. TOWNSEND,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
LAWSON N. FULLER,

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Committee  
on  
Normal Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, approving sundry bills incurred under a resolution of this Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings and heating apparatus (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, viz :

The National Stove Works, 14th Ward.....	\$288 00
John B. Driscoll, 22d Ward.....	269 75
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	\$557 75

DAVID F. BAKER,	} Committee on
C. V. LEWIS,	
LAWSON N. FULLER,	
	Warming and
	Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Dowd to the Chair.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communi-

cation from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward relative to establishing a class in Male Evening School No. 17 for instruction in Architectural and Mechanical Drawing, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to establish a class for instruction in Architectural and Mechanical Drawing in Male Evening School No. 17.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
LEONARD HAZLETINE,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for the appointment of a teacher of Phonography in Female Evening School No. 24, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Sixth Ward to appoint a teacher of Phonography in Female Evening School No. 24, be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the

claim of Alexander Graham for damages sustained by the falling of the walls of Grammar School No. 36, in the Eleventh Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That in the matter of the claim of Alexander Graham for damages sustained by the falling of the walls of late Grammar School building No. 36, there has been and is no legal or equitable liability on the part of the Board of Education.

R. W. TOWNSEND, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, HENRY P. WEST,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to changing the name of the "Model School" to that of "The Training School of the Normal College," and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws be amended by striking out the words "Model School" wherever they may appear, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "The Training School of the Normal College."

R. W. TOWNSEND, R. G. BEARDSLEE, HENRY P. WEST, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &amp;c.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner TOWNSEND presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to appointing an Absentee Messenger for each school in the Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Seventh Ward for authority to appoint an Absentee Messenger for each school in the Ward, be, and the same is hereby denied.

R. W. TOWNSEND, FERDINAND TRAUD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, HENRY P. WEST,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as follows :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Course of Studies, &c., to whom were referred communications from the Trustees of the 5th and 9th Wards, protesting against the recent action of the Board in reorganizing the musical instruction in the schools, also a Memorial signed by a large number of the Principals of the Grammar and



Primary Schools, presenting certain objections to the plan for said musical instruction as recently adopted by the Board, respectfully report:

That they have carefully considered the statements contained in the said papers, and are of the opinion that none of the objections urged are of sufficient importance to warrant your Committee in recommending either the rescinding of the by-laws in regard to the teaching of music, as recently adopted, or any considerable modification of the same.

The communications from the Trustees referred to appear to be merely protests against the action of the Board, and present no reasons why the system adopted should not be carried into effect, except that they, the said trustees, prefer the present plan.

The memorial of the principals appears to be based, in great part, upon a misconception of the requirements of the new system; and the objections urged are rather against certain details, which appeared to the memorialists inseparable from, instead of incidental to, the carrying out of the measure. The fear that great additional labor and responsibility are to be imposed upon the class teachers, and that they are to be required to perform a service not only difficult but impracticable, seems to have operated very strongly upon the minds of those principals who have objected to this measure. This apprehension does not seem to be well founded. The Assistant Musical Directors are declared by the rules as adopted to be *instructors*, who are to perform all the duties previously performed by the special teachers of music, and the regular class teachers are expected to give such aid only as may be within the scope of their ability, this aid consisting chiefly in drilling or practicing the pupils in lessons previously given by the Assistant Directors. In order to afford an opportunity to teachers to receive information as to the nature and requirements of these lessons, as well as instruction therein, as far as it may be needed, these teachers are to meet the Directors of

their respective districts on Saturdays, or after the usual school hours on any other day, and spend with them about an hour each week. This arrangement certainly ought not to prove onerous or "distasteful" to teachers earnest to co-operate with the Board in every measure tending to promote the interests of the schools, nor can your Committee believe that such a request or requirement emanating from the Board would make the plan "unpopular." The fact that more than one-half of all the principals of the schools have not signed this memorial shows that they, at least, have no disposition so to regard it.

That it is practicable and reasonable to require the class teachers to give the aid as proposed is shown by the fact, as we are informed, that in several of the Wards—particularly in the 4th, 6th, 21st and 23d—this plan is already adopted, so that the regular teachers in those Wards participate in the work of musical instruction, and co-operate cheerfully and effectively with the special teachers.

In Boston this plan has been in operation for several years, and has been followed with successful results. When first proposed, however, it seems to have met with the same kind of objections; but they were proved by experience to be quite futile,—so much so, indeed, that one of the Musical Directors, in his report to the School Committee, in 1869, made the following statement, which we think it important to quote: "In the short time within which music has been regularly and systematically taught in the classes under my charge, only *seven* out of the *two hundred and fifty-one* teachers who have come under my observations have proved themselves unable to do their work satisfactorily. Of these seven, three exchange work with other teachers at the time of the music lesson, one employs a teacher from outside to aid her in this part of her work, who is present at the time of my visit to receive my instructions, while in three rooms the work is imperfectly done. With regard to the progress

made in different classes, it varies in proportion to the faithfulness of the teacher. I find that teachers who are regarded as superior in other branches obtain the best results in music; and many of my best teachers are among those who had no idea that they could do anything in music when we commenced."

The remark that some of the teachers exchanged work with other teachers at the time of the music lesson suggests a ready solution of any difficulty that may arise from natural inability on the part of any one to perform the duty assigned; and your Committee feel that this is only a matter of detail in the management of the schools which the principals are entirely competent to arrange.

The apprehension that the Board intends to withdraw, in any respect, the internal management of the schools from the principals is without foundation. The instruction in music, as in every other subject, will be under their immediate supervision, and it will be expected that they will see that there is neither any negligence nor inefficiency in the same, which they do not promptly correct or report. The methods of instruction employed will also be a matter over which they will be expected to exercise a careful and intelligent supervision.

The requirement that the City Superintendent should designate the time of giving the lesson was not intended as an "interference" on his part with the internal affairs of the school, but as a means of establishing a general rule which would protect the interests of this department of instruction in connection with others. It was shown to the Committee that great diversity existed in the views and sentiments of the principals as to the importance of musical instruction, and hence in their mode of dealing with it in their schools; and this arrangement as to the City Superintendent was designed to secure efficiency and uniformity in carrying out the proposed plan.

Nor is it intended, as appears to be supposed, that the assistant teachers will be responsible to the Musical Directors, but, as at present, to the principals, whose duty it will be to see that the suggestions and directions of those officers are properly carried into effect, and to report any dereliction of duty in this respect.

It is suggested by these memorialists that there should be a graded course of instruction in music, and that a careful supervision should be exercised, but as these constitute the essential features of the new system, this suggestion, consequently, cannot be considered in the light of an objection.

Your Committee have been thus careful to review these objections in detail—first, because they emanate from those whose views, as practical teachers and persons of experience in school management, are entitled to very great consideration, and, secondly, because it has been deemed wise to embrace this opportunity to explain more in detail than has hitherto been done the particular features of the new system.

As, independently of the statements contained in the papers referred to us, some objections have been urged on the ground of expense, your Committee would state that they have made this a matter of special consideration; and, upon inquiry of the Auditor of the Board, find that musical instruction at present, inclusive of the special salaries of \$75 paid in certain schools, costs annually the sum of \$21,000, while the plan as proposed will cost only \$19,000; namely, \$3,000 for the salary of the Musical Director, and \$2,000 for each of the eight assistants. Thus the Board will save \$2,000 by the adoption of this system; and your Committee cannot but believe that, should the instrumentalities selected to carry it into effect prove competent for the required service, there will be a great improvement in the results attained.

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the payment of all special salaries  
in the Primary and Grammar scho

Respectfully submitted,

WM. WOOD,  
ALBERT KRAMBOTH,  
ED. O. JENKINS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, 1875.

*Ordered,* That said report be laid on the  
full in the minutes.

Commissioner Down presented a report f  
mittee on the award of contract made by  
Twenty-second Ward for altering and  
School building No. 9 :

For the alteration work &c., to David C  
For the Furniture, to Nathaniel Johnson .

*Resolved* That the sum of eight thousand three hundred and seventy-seven dollars (\$8,377) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for altering and furnishing Grammar School building No. 9, in the Twenty-second Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of the by-laws and rules of this Board are complied with, in respect to the form of contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, and the payments to be made under said contracts.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, LEONARD HAZELTINE, EDWARD SCHELL, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, authorizing a transfer of the sum of seventy thousand dollars from the appropriation for "Public Instruction" for the year 1874 "to the same title of appropriation for the year 1875," and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) transferred by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on the 9th of August last, from the appropriation for "Public Instruction for the year 1874" "to the same title of appro-

priation for the year 1875," be, and the same hereby is reserved and set apart, to be expended as may be required by appropriations to be made therefrom by this Board for buildings, furniture and heating apparatus, and repairs of the same.

W. M. DOWD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		
EDWARD SCHELL,		
R. W. TOWNSEND,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred sundry bills by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for repairs to school buildings during vacation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for repairs to school buildings in said Ward, be, and they hereby are approved for payment, from the appropriation made for repairs, per Journal, pages 426, 444 and 445, viz :

Guiry & Bro.,	Aug. 25 to Sept. 11, G. S. 27,	\$155 15	
	Less overcharges,	29 87	\$125 28
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"	Sept. 14th to 25th, G. S. 27,	131 99	
	Less overcharges,	12 34	119 65
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Thomas Falvey,	Aug. and Sept.,	P. S. 33,	11	86		
"	"	"	"	"	21,	96 23
"	"	"	"	G. S. 53,	49	86
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said bills to be paid with the concurrence of the Finance Committee.

WM. DOWD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, LEONARD HAZELTINE, EDWARD SCHELL, R. W. TOWNSEND,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from Mrs. C. L. Slade, relative to instruction in sewing, and submitting samples of patterns, &c., and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of Mrs. C. L. Slade, submitting samples of patterns for needlework, &c., to be used in the public schools, be, and the same is hereby denied.

WILLIAM WOOD, ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from Mrs. Eliza B. Burns, relative to teaching Phonic Shorthand in the Evening Schools, and accompanied with the following resolution :

***Resolved*, That the application of Eliza B. Burns, relative to teaching Phonic Shorthand in the Evening Schools, be, and the same is hereby denied.**

WILLIAM WOOD,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS, } *Committee on  
Course of Study  
and School Books.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from Hon. Neil Gilmour, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, submitting a copy of "An act relative to free instruction in drawing," stating that the provisions of section 2 of said act reads as follows: "The Board of Education in each city in this State shall cause free instruction to be given in industrial or free-hand drawing in at least one department of the schools under their charge," and informing the Board that the provisions of said section have already been complied with, industrial and free-hand drawing being taught in every Grammar department of the day schools, and in the Evening High School, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they hereby are discharged from the further

consideration of the communication from Hon. Neil Gilmour, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, relative to Act of the Legislature in relation to instruction in industrial and free-hand drawing.

WILLIAM WOOD,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
EDW'D O. JENKINS,

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*! Committee on  
Course of Study  
and School Books.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, adverse to placing Mahoney's Music Charts on the List of Supplies, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application to place C. Mahoney's Music Charts upon the List of Supplies be, and the same is hereby denied.

WILLIAM WOOD,  
ALBERT KLAMROTH,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,

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*Committee on  
Course of Study  
and School Books.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Cushing & Bardua, printing to Oct. 15.....	\$143 90
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising, Sept. 22.....	£2 40
J. S. Burnton, minute book.....	9 50
L. D. Kiernan, incidentals to Oct. 26, 1875.....	89 01

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*New York Herald*, advertising, July 3, 1873..... 15 20

HENRY P. WEST, )  
DAVID F. BAKER, ) *Auditing*  
S. P. PATTERSON, ) *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to paying sundry bills incurred under a resolution of the Board, (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution of the Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and the same are hereby approved for payment:

6th Ward,	Monroe & McCormick.....	\$405 00
7th     "	Mahony Bros.....	112 01
11th    "	G. C. Lugar.....	455 99
12th    "	David Moritz.....	17 00
"	John O'Brien and Patrick Larkin.	112 00
14th    "	William T. Roylance.....	30 90
"	A. Riedinger.....	278 38
15th    "	George H. Thomas.....	182 25
18th    "	D. B. Pierson & Son.....	201 62

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\$1,795 15

WM. DOWD, } *Committee*  
C. V. LEWIS, } *on*  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *Buildings.*

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating Misses Elizabeth Loveridge and Adeline V. Sutton for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Grammar Department Grammar School No. 56, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Elizabeth Loveridge and Miss Adeline V. Sutton, nominated by the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 56, they having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and they hereby are appointed to said positions from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
WM. DOWD,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis,

Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Miss Annie D. Kydd for Vice-Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 38, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Annie D. Kydd, nominated by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 38, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent,) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
WM. DOWD,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Townsend, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1875.**

**STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NELSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE, WOOD and WILKINS—18.

*Absent*—Commissioners HALSTED, LEWIS and TOWNSEND—3.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on Nov. 3, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. Wm. H. Wickham, Mayor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, November 17th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with chapter 112 of the laws of 1873, I have this day appointed the following-named gentlemen as Commissioners of Common Schools of the City of New York, for a term of three years, commencing on the 1st day of January, 1876:—

WILLIAM DOWD,  
JACOB D. VERMILYE,  
CHARLES PLACE,

EDWARD SCHELL,  
LAWRENCE G. GOULDING,  
JOHN GRANVILLE KANE,

ERNEST CAYLUS.

Also the following named gentlemen as Inspectors of Common Schools, for the term of three years, commencing on the first day of January, 1876, and for the School Districts set opposite their names :

JOHN P. HUGGINS.....	1st District.
FRANCIS O'REILLY.....	2d “
JOHN N. ABBOTT.....	3d “
ARMOUR C. ANDERSON.....	4th “
ELIJAH H. KIMBALL.....	5th “
J. W. C. LEVERIDGE.....	6th “
HOSEA B. PERKINS.....	7th “
FORDHAM MORRIS.....	8th “

Very respectfully,

W. H. WICKHAM,  
*Mayor.*

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT also laid before the Board the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, Nov. 17th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with chapter 112 of the laws of 1873, I have this day appointed GEORGE W. ABBE to be an Inspector of Common Schools of the

City of New York, in place of James W. Gerard, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said Gerard, which terminates on the first day of January, 1878.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. WICKHAM,

*Mayor.*

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Miss Abbe A. Wright for Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 29, in place of Miss Katherine H. White, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From a minority of the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Miss A. B. Butts for Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, asking that the salaries of Female Assistants in the Evening Schools be increased.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, remonstrating against the proposed change in the system of musical instruction.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating Miss M. Isabella Williams for Principal of P. S. No. 18, in place of Miss Jane Walker, resigned.



Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for an appropriation for the purpose of dividing the galleries in Male and Female Departments of G. S. No. 3 and P. S. No. 24.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking that Edgar D. Shimer be paid for services in registering pupils in the Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Marie A. Melvin, F. D. G. S. No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking that the salary of John D. Murdock, Janitor of G. S. No. 36, be increased.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary A. Beilby, M. D. G. S. No. 15.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to purchase umbrella stands for P. D. G. S. No. 68 and F. D. G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Carrie Illsley, F. D. G. S. No. 39.

Miss Mary B. D. Locke, M. D. G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new Primary School in 122d street, near Third avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating teachers for Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to appoint additional teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Martha L. Rockwell, P. S. No. 20.

Miss Annie M. Raymond, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Miss Josephine E. Ostrander, P. S. No. 10.

Miss Emma A. Walmsley, P. S. No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, adverse to the proposed change in the system of musical instruction.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Mary A. Smith, M. D. G. S. No. 13.

Miss M. Louise Byrdsall, P. D. G. S. No. 25.

Miss Mary E. Flinn, P. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Annie Byrdall, V. P. P. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, recommending transfers, and nominating teachers in Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that an additional class room be fitted up in P. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation for the payment of bills of Guiry & Brother, for carpenter work on premises leased for branch of G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking that Riley B. Palmer be paid for services in registering pupils in Evening School No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking that Wm. L. Gaddis be paid for services in registering pupils in Male Evening School No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, November 17, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report

of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from November 1st to the 16th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents is 777.

Of this number 295 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 184 whose residence could not be found, leaving 298 truants and non-attendants, of which number 279 have been placed in school, 2 committed to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, 1 committed to the care of the Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 16 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school, 5 have left the city, 7 have gone to work, 3 been placed in Juvenile Asylum, and 1 placed in Catholic Protectory.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signed]

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

#### SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents....	156	
“ “ sickness.....	101	
“ “ poverty.....	38	
“ whose residence could not be found.	184	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		479
No. of children found to be truants.....	198	
“ “ habitual truants.....	50	
“ “ non-attendants .....	50	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		298
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Total number of cases investigated.....		777

No. of truant returned to school.....	181
.. .. habitual truant returned to school.....	48
.. .. non-attendants placed in school....	50
.. .. children withdrawn from school.....	16
.. .. " committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction.....	2
.. .. " committed to Society for Reforma- tion of Juvenile Delinquents..	1

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**Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.      298**

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The **PRESIDENT** laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Board of Health, relative to the vaccination of pupils of the Public Schools.

Referred to the Special Committee on Communications from the Board of Health (Journal, 1874, p. 916).

From Jacob D. Vermilye, Esq., ex-Commissioner of Common Schools, acknowledging the receipt of the resolutions passed by the Board of Education.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From Mr. John Faith, relative to a violation of the By-Law forbidding corporal punishment by a teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Philip Valentine, teacher in Evening School No. 32, relative to supervision of his class, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From James Stringer, asking that Prof. Wheeler's Natural History Charts be placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner Dowd informed the Board that Commissioner Halsted desired to be excused for non-attendance at this meeting of the Board.

On motion, Commissioner Halsted was excused.

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

Commissioner MAN offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be, and they hereby are authorized and empowered to furnish for use in the office of the Superintendent of Truancy, a standing desk and necessary pigeon holes for filing papers, the cost not to exceed \$75.00; the bills for the same to be paid on the approval of the said Committee, and from the appropriation for the expense of Compulsory Education.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner PATTERSON offered the following :

*Whereas*, By a recent act of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, on the 6th day of October, 1875, the plot of ground situated on the north side of 67th street, and the east side of Lexington avenue, being 125 feet on 67th street and 100 feet on Lexington avenue, has been set apart for public school purposes ; and,

*Whereas*, The said property is not conveniently or desirably located for school purposes ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education do hereby request the

Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to reconsider their former action, and to set apart for public school purposes the plot of ground extending 125 feet on the south side of 68th street, eastwardly from Lexington avenue, and 100 feet on Lexington avenue, southwardly from 68th street.

Laid over under the rule.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for additional Primary School accommodations, recommending that a new building be erected on the site located on the west side of Courtlandt avenue, for the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, and submitting a resolution authorizing the Trustees to advertise for proposals for erecting the same :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the usual manner for proposals for erecting a new building for Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, on the site situated on the west side of Courtlandt avenue, about 200 feet from Third avenue, said site being triangular in form, 127.7 feet on Courtlandt avenue, 174.93 feet on north line, and diagonal 218.14 feet ; plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, MORRIS WILKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communi-

cation from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to paying Wm. L. Gaddis, at the rate given to Principals of Evening Schools, for registration of pupils applying for admission to Male Evening School No. 32, recommending that the application of the Trustees be granted, and submitting a resolution to that effect :

*Resolved*, 'That William L. Gaddis be paid for ten nights' service rendered in Male Evening School No. 32, previous to the opening session, in registering pupils applying for admission ; said Gaddis to be paid at the rate allowed Principals of Male Evening Schools.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, LEONARD HAZELTINE, FERDINAND TRAUD,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Beardslee to the Chair.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for an appropriation to paint the front of Primary School Building No. 28, recommending that the application of the Trustees be granted, the expense to be charged to the fund appropriated for repairs to buildings, &c., (Journal, pp. 426, 444, 445,) and submitting the following resolution for adoption :



*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to have the front of Primary School building No. 28 painted, at an expense not to exceed the sum of one hundred and forty dollars (\$140), to be charged to the fund appropriated for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus, to be done during the vacation, (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445.)

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
MORRIS WILKINS,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating that in compliance with a resolution appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, &c., (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) they submit a resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under resolution of the Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

1st	Ward,	Nicholas McManus.....	\$ 80 00
3d	"	James Riley.....	100 00
12th	"	James E. Poole.....	196 19
14th	"	William T. Roylance.....	243 64
"	"	Charles Brayton.....	50 00

24th Ward, P. McDermot.....	60 00
“ “ Robert Whitten.....	175 00
“ “ The Suburban Gas Light Co....	150 00
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	\$1,054 83

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER, } Committee  
MORRIS WILKINS, } on  
Buildings.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to use the apartments now occupied by the Janitor of P. S. No. 33, as a play room for the females, recommending that the application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to use the premises occupied by the Janitor of Primary School No. 33 as a play-room for the females attending said school.

WM. DOWD,  
DAVID F. BAKER, } Committee  
MORRIS WILKINS, } on  
Buildings.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution and, it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, relative to the payment of sundry bills incurred in docking and repairing the ship *St. Marys*, amounting to one thousand one hundred and seven dollars and thirteen cents (\$1,107.13), recommending the approval of the same, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills, incurred by the Executive Committee on Nautical School, for docking and repairing the ship *St. Marys*, be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, and that the sum of said bills, which includes the one thousand dollars (\$1,000) authorized to be expended by the resolution adopted on the 20th of October last, be charged to the fund for organization and establishment of a Nautical School, provided by the Act of April 24th, 1873 :

New York Floating Dry Dock Co., 3d Nov.,		
for dockage of Ship <i>St. Marys</i> ....		\$384 08
P. & R. Poillon, repairs to           “           ....		723 05
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		\$1,107 13

the bills to be paid upon their approval by this Committee.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee on Nautical School.</i>
WM DOWD,		
EDWARD SCHELL,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, stating that in accordance with a resolution adopted by this Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), they submit a resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution of this Board, appropriating twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$21,500) for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Journal, pp. 426. 444 and 445), be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, viz :

9th Ward,	Robert Paton & Son.....	\$133 50
14th	“ William T. Roylance.....	80 42
15th	“ George H. Thomas.....	147 04
24th	“ The National School Furniture Co.	65 50
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		\$426 46

DAVID WETMORE } Committee  
EDWARD SCHELL, } on  
DAVID F. BAKER } School Furniture.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, that in accordance with a resolution appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings and heating apparatus (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), they submit for adoption the following resolution, approving sundry bills for payment:

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution adopted by this Board (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

J. Elder, Jr., 22d Ward.....	\$195 02
Gillis & Geohegan, 22d Ward.....	196 00
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	\$391 02

DAVID F. BAKER,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
MORRIS WILKINS,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazletine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting the following resolution, approving for payment sundry bills incurred under an appropriation made for apparatus for the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, for apparatus, &c., supplied the Department of Natural Science of the Normal College, be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

E. B. Benjamin.....	\$20 42
James W. Queen & Co.....	59 00
E. & H. Anthony & Co.....	34 37
George Tiemann & Co.....	21 50

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazletine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, notifying the Board that they had closed Grammar School No. 31, for the day, on October 29, 1875, recommending that the action of the Trustees be confirmed, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the action of the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, in closing Grammar School No. 31, on October 29, 1875, be, and the same is hereby confirmed.

A. P. MAN,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from Mrs. Helen E. Brown, President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, relative to presenting the subject of intemperance in the Public Schools; recommending that said application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of Mrs. Helen E. Brown, President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, relative to presenting the subject of intemperance in the Public Schools, be, and the same is hereby denied.

ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS, A. P. MAN, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, submitting for adoption the following resolution, placing "Robinson's New Elementary Algebra" on the List of Supplies:

*Resolved*, That "Robinson's New Elementary Algebra" be placed on the List of Supplies for 1876.

ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS, A. P. MAN, WM. WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred

the communication from Francis W. Houghton, relative to introducing the elements of military drill as a regular course of instruction in the Public Schools, stating that they deem it inexpedient to grant said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Board deem it inexpedient to introduce the elements of military drill as a regular course of instruction in the Public Schools.

ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS, A. P. MAN, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from Morris Wilkins, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-fourth Ward, and nominating James E. Hull, residing at Tremont, as a suitable person to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Morris Wilkins, approving said nomination, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That James E. Hull, residence Tremont, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-fourth (24th) Ward, *vice* Morris Wilkins, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878); said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the 6th section of the Act of March 21, 1873,



The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Society would adopt said resolution, and it was adopted, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., Pres-  
ents Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Har-  
Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson  
Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a  
Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was  
referred an application from the Trustees of the Seventh  
Ward for permission to have Phonography taught in Male Evening Sch-  
ool No. 12, and the application be denied, and the  
following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Tru-  
stees of the Seventh Ward to have Phonography taught in  
School No. 12, be, and the same is hereby de-

A. J. MATHEWSON  
EDWARD O. J.  
LEONARD HAZEN  
FERDINAND T.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Society would adopt said resolution, and it was de-

*Resolved*, That the awards of contracts made by the Committee on Supplies, and herewith submitted, for books, stationery, and other articles required for the use of the Schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, during the year 1876, be, and the same are hereby confirmed, and that the said contracts shall continue in full force and effect until the first day of January, 1877 :

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
DAVID WETMORE,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner FULLER moved that " McDonald's Anatomical Models " be stricken from the List of Supplies.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Fuller, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Fuller, Kelly, Patterson, West and Wilkins—8.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—10.

The PRESIDENT, *pro tem.*, then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Supplies, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

*Nay*—Commissioner Baker—1.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance

Wm. L.  
Edward  
R. G.  
Leonard

The **PRESIDENT** put the question  
adopt the resolution attached to the  
Committee on Nautical School, as  
Journal of this date, in connection  
Finance Committee, and it was decided  
as follows:

*Ayes*—**WILLIAM H. NELSON**, Esq.  
sioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, F.  
Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson,  
West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Commissioner **TRAUD** offered the following  
*Resolved*, That the Principal of each  
under the jurisdiction of the Board  
to keep a record of all children who  
and that the names, ages and  
inserted in the monthly report of

and resolution offered by him under the third order of business, relative to the school site on Lexington avenue and 67th street (see Journal of this date, pp. 729 and 730).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner MAN called up from the table the resolution offered under the third order of business, relative to a desk and other furniture for the office of the Superintendent of Truancy, (see Journal of this date, p. 729).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Schell, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—12.

*Nays*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Kelly, Patterson and Traud—6.

Commissioner KLAMROTH offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the report of the Committee on Course of Study, &c., in relation to the subject of Music, submitted at the meeting of this Board on November 3d, (Journal, pp. 707–712) and laid over, be made the special order of business after the third regular order of business at the next stated session of Dec. 1.

Commissioner BAKER moved to lay said resolution on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner Klamroth, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That no pupil in the Common Schools of this city shall be compelled to study either the French or German language against the wishes of his parents or guardian.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner PATTERSON moved that the Board adjourn, which was lost.

Commissioner WOOD called up from the table the report of the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to the salary of Professor Mangold (Journal, pp. 702-703), and offered the following amendment to the resolution attached to said report :

After the words "Board of Education," add "and to include the remuneration for his Saturday's service at that day's session of the Normal College."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

## **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE, WOOD and WILKINS—21.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on November 17, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner WOOD moved to amend the name of Commissioner Kane, page 722, so that it shall read JOHN GRENVILLE KANE.

Commissioner WILKINS moved to amend page 739 by altering the name of "James E. Hull," appointed Trustee of Common Schools, so that it shall read JAMES C. HULL.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Commissioner Townsend :

NEW YORK, Nov. 18, 1875.

*To the Members of the Board of Education :*

I have to-day sent to the Mayor my resignation of the office of Commissioner of Common Schools, an office which I continued to hold to the detriment of my private affairs, amongst other reasons, because of the great pleasure I had in doing business and associating with the gentlemen of the Board.

The present illness of both my partners, and my private affairs, compel me to resign.

Please accept from me for yourselves, individually, the assurance of my highest regard, and my best wishes for the success of the great interest of education in your hands.

With great respect, yours,

R. W. TOWNSEND.

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in the minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, Nov. 18th, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that, in accordance with chapter 112 of the laws of 1873, I have this day appointed JACOB D. VERMILYK to be a Commissioner of Common Schools of the City of New York, in place of Randolph W. Townsend, re-

signed, and for the unexpired term of said Randolph W. Townsend, which terminates on the first day of January, 1876.

Very respectfully,

W. H. WICKHAM,  
*Mayor.*

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had appointed Commissioner Vermilye to the several Committees of which Commissioner Townsend had been a member, and at the request of Commissioner Vermilye that the selection of Chairman of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., would be left to the action of the Committee.

The PRESIDENT informed the Board that, in consequence of illness in his family, he would be unable to remain during the session of the Board, and called Commissioner Dowd to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* informed the Board that the President desired to be excused.

On motion, the absence of the President was excused.

Commissioner KELLY asked to be excused from attendance at this session of the Board.

On motion, Commissioner Kelly was excused.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :



From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating Miss Maria E. Reardon for Principal of P. S. No. 12, in place of Miss Catharine J. McCabe; and Miss Catharine Brophy for Vice-Principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Frances A. Stevens, P. D. G. S. No. 38, and also to grant leave of absence to Miss Stevens.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, submitting bills for extra work done in accordance with contract on G. S. building No. 38, and asking for an appropriation of \$765.33 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Miss Maggie Garvin for Principal of Female Evening School No. 38.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking that the Janitor of G. S. No. 38 be paid expenses incurred by him for rent during the alteration of the building.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary A. Connolly, G. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking to excuse

the absence of Miss Sarah C. Clark, Principal of Primary Department G. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for leave of absence for Miss Sarah C. Clark, G. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for authority to transfer Miss F. A. Cogswell, G. S. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking that two teachers be paid for services in registering pupils in Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating teachers for the Female Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. Harriet L. Millett, G. S. No. 25.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for a radiator and fixtures in G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Mrs. L. M. Johnson, G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for writing desks in two classrooms in P. D. G. S. No. 53.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating Anthony J. Davis for music teacher in the Female Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for new platforms for G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating Miss Josephine Cozans for Vice-Principal of P. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for a new building in Seventy-fifth street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for authority to close M. D. G. S. No. 9, temporarily.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$100.68 to pay sundry bills for repairs.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, making the award of contracts for erecting a new school building in Mott Haven, and asking for an appropriation of \$40,942 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Emma Phelps, G. S. No. 63.

Miss Eliza A. Abercrombie, G. S. No. 65.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for instructions relative to the occupancy of the premises formerly occupied by P. S. No. 48.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

#### CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to the dismissal of a pupil by John M. Forbes, Principal of Male Grammar School No. 35.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

By unanimous consent Commissioner HALSTED presented a communication from John M. Forbes, Principal of G. S. No. 35, and signed by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, relative to the dismissal of a pupil.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the monthly report of the City Superintendent, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, Dec. 1st, 1875. }

*To the Honorable the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—As required by law, I herewith report that during the month preceding this date, the schools of the Second, Ninth and Sixteenth Wards, and the Colored schools have been visited and examined, with the following general results :

Of 247 classes examined, the instruction in 135 was found to have been *excellent*; in 89 *good*; in 17 fair; and in 6 *indifferent* or *bad*. The discipline in all these classes is reported as either *excellent* or *good*, except in eleven, in which it was found to be only *fair*. In 19 of the 28 schools examined, the general management is reported as *excellent*; in 7 *good*; in 1 *fair*, and in 1 (Colored School No. 1, Male Department) *bad*.

The prevailing fault in the general management of the schools is a too hurried promotion of the pupils of the three higher grades, with an occasional disregard of the requirements of the Course of Instruction prescribed by the Board.

On this account many of the pupils pass into the first grade without adequate preparation. The regulations in regard to the assignment of lessons for home study have in a few cases been also somewhat disregarded.

The sanitary condition of Grammar School No. 55, and Primary School No. 7, is such as to require immediate attention. Grammar School No. 3 is excessively crowded, particularly in the Primary Department, in which it is reported by the examining officer that 89 pupils are kept during a part of each session under the gallery. I suggest that a peremptory rule be enacted

by the Board to prevent the principals of schools from admitting a larger number of pupils into their schools than can be properly accommodated. The rule limiting the number of pupils in a class to seventy-five is frequently disregarded by some of the principals of Primary Departments and Schools, even after their attention has been repeatedly called to the fact.

I would also suggest a rule to regulate the discharge of pupils from the schools. Children are sometimes dismissed for trifling causes; and in many cases parents are required to take their children from the schools, although they have not been legally and properly suspended in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Board. An authoritative declaration of the powers and duties of principals in this regard appears to be needed to prevent a very general abuse.

The monthly reports from the several schools for October last show a register number of pupils of 114,883 and an average attendance of 109,028. This shows an increase of nearly 6,000 in the enrollment, and nearly 4,000 in the attendance over those of October, 1874. The number of days of absences of teachers was 1354, or 277 less than during the same month last year.

I append herewith the names of all the teachers whose classes show an absenteeism in excess of twenty per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KIDDLE,

*City Superintendent.*

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and referred to the appropriate committees.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
 NEW YORK, December 1, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from November 17th to the 30th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents was 647.

Of this number 258 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 111 whose residence could not be found, leaving 278 truants and non-attendants, of which number 270 have been placed in school, 2 committed to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, 2 committed to the care of the Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 4 withdrawn from school.

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn from school, 2 have left the city, 1 has gone to work, and 1 sent to the House of Refuge.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signed]

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE.

No. of children kept at home by their parents....	153
“ “ sickness.....	82
“ “ poverty.....	23
“ whose residence could not be found.	111

Total number not classed as truants.....

No. of children found to be truants.....	163	
“ “ habitual truants.....	75	
“ “ non-attendants .....	40	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		278
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Total number of cases investigated.....		647
No. of truants returned to school.....	161	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school.....	69	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school.....	40	
“ “ children withdrawn from school.....	4	
“ “ “ committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction.....	2	
“ “ “ committed to Society for Reforma- tion of Juvenile Delinquents...	2	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.		278

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From citizens of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the re-appointment of Julius Katzenberg as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward.

*Ordered*, That said communication be placed on file.

From Wm. P. Rodgers, relative to the establishment of free reading rooms in the several Wards.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.



From Stephen Davenport, asking that his mop-holder be placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From F. Heerlein, offering certain lots on the north side of West 56th street as a school site.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From P. F. MaGinn and others, offering certain lots on West 56th street as a school site.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From F. McDermott, asking that his globe be placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Geo. Savage, asking that his globe be placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the salaries to be paid to, and the employment of teachers in the several schools, and the allowances to be made to the respective Wards for the incidental expenses of the schools, for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six (1876), be based upon the average attendance of the schools for the year (1875) eighteen hundred and seventy-five, as obtained by adding together the whole number of pupils

present each morning and afternoon session, and dividing the total by four hundred and six (406) ; or in the case of schools organized since the first day of January last, or the schools temporarily closed during the year for repairs or any other purpose, *by the orders of this Board*, by the actual number of sessions required to be held.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the balances of the appropriations made for current purposes, which may appear in the accounts, at the termination of the moneyed transactions of the Board, for the year 1875, be transferred to a general account ; and that the balances of the special appropriations not required for the purposes for which they were made be transferred to the credit of the Reserve Fund, from which fund these appropriations were taken ; said transfers being intended to effect the adjustment and closing of the respective appropriation accounts ; and that the balances of said general account and reserve fund remain subject to the future disposition of this Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

Commissioner WEST offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to prepare, under the supervision of the Committee on By-Laws, etc., and have printed two thousand copies of the Manual for the year 1876.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the attention of the Board of Health be called to the stagnant pool of water near the Baptist Home, and in front of the Normal College, which is calculated by its miasmatic exhalation to injure the health of the students of said institution.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Woon offered the following :

*Resolved*, That at the next stated meeting of this Board the President designate the groups of schools to be visited by each Commissioner between 1st January and 30th June, 1876, in accordance with the table of groups printed on page 389 of the Journal, with such additions thereto or deductions therefrom as may have been made since 2d June, 1875.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

Amend Section 145 of the By-Laws, page 219 of the Manual, by inserting after the word "teacher," on the 7th line of said section, as follows :

“ And shall co-operate with such agents of the Board of Health as may be authorized to visit the schools for the purpose of examining and vaccinating the pupils, and shall require a re-vaccination of all pupils ascertained by said agents of the Board of Health not to be fully protected by a former vaccination, and no pupil refusing to be so vaccinated, when required, either by the agents of the Board of Health or by the physicians of the family to which he or she may belong, shall be permitted to attend any public school until such requirement is fully complied with.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that said Committee be requested to report at this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Wetmore, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced that the special order of business, in compliance with the resolution of the Board as found on page 743 of the Journal, would be the consideration of the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, as found on pages 707-712 of the Journal.

Commissioner HALSTED moved that the whole subject be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Halsted, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Hazlettine, Lewis, Patterson, Schell, Vermilye, West, and Wilkins—11.

*Nays*—Commissioners Fuller, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—8.

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that it be made the special order after the third order of business at the next meeting of the Board.

Commissioner WEST moved that the motion of Commissioner Klamroth be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Hazeltine, Lewis, Patterson, Schell, Vermilye, West and Wilkins—11.

*Nays*—Commissioners Fuller, Jenkins, Klamroth, Man, Mathewson, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—8.

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved that it be made the special order after the second order of business at the next meeting of the Board.

Commissioner WEST moved that the motion of Commissioner Mathewson be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the

Trustees of the Ninth Ward, for authority to divide the galleries in the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 3 and Primary School No. 24 into class rooms, stating that the Committee are not prepared to report on the subject of dividing the galleries in Primary School No. 24, and submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Ninth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for dividing the galleries in the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 3 into class rooms, and to furnish the class rooms formed by said divisions with desks and seats. Plans and Specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on Buildings.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, C. V. LEWIS, S. P. PATTERSON, MORRIS WILKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to increasing the salary of the Janitor of Grammar School No. 36; adverse to said application, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, to increase the salary of the Janitor of Grammar School No. 36, be, and the same is hereby denied.

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON, C. V. LEWIS, MORRIS WILKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating that in compliance with a resolution of this Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, &c., (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) submitting the following resolution for adoption, approving sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills incurred under appropriation of \$21,500, for repairs to buildings, &c., (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

14th Ward,	Geo. W. Hendricks.....	\$302 26
2d     “	Work Shop.....	36 35
3d     “	“ .....	88 89
7th    “	“ .....	156 99
11th   “	“ .....	123 35
12th   “	“ .....	4 17
14th   “	“ .....	10 63
17th   “	“ .....	16 92
23d    “	“ .....	56 13
		<hr/>
		\$795 69

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON, C. V. LEWIS, MORRIS WILKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halstead, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson,

Patterson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

Commissioner DOWD presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for payment of bill of Stephen H. King for services as watchman of premises on Thomas avenue, Fordham, recommending an appropriation of the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) in payment for said services, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Stephen H. King, for services rendered as watchman of premises on Thomas avenue, Fordham, from January 15, 1875, to September 20, 1875 ; to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of said Ward.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID F. BAKER,		
S. P. PATTERSON,		
C. V. LEWIS,		
MORRIS WILKINS,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, stating that in pursuance of the resolution of the Board, adopted on the 20th day of October last, the requisite advertisement for proposals for printing was duly published for the period of two weeks ; that there were received twelve proposals for said printing ; and that the lowest bid was from John B. McLean, to whom the Committee have awarded the contract ; and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the contract for the printing required by this Board during the year 1876 be, and the same is hereby



awarded to John B. McLean, at the prices named in his bid, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
J. M. HALSTED,	
DAVID WETMORE,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazletine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

Commissioner WETMORE presented the following report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees :

*To the Board of Education :*

The Committee on Nomination of Trustees respectfully report :

That they have duly considered the resolution adopted by the Board on the 3d of November, requesting your Committee to nominate suitable persons to fill the position of Trustees of Common Schools in the several Wards of the city, for the term of five years from the 1st of January next, to be appointed by the Board in accordance with the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended the 15th of April 1873, and present for your consideration the names which are embraced in the resolution submitted herewith as worthy of the confidence of the Board :

*Resolved*, That the following persons, citizens of the United States, and residents of the Wards for which they are sev-

erally to act, be, and they hereby are appointed Trustees of Common Schools for the Wards as herein named, to hold their respective offices for the term of five years from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-six (1876), viz :

	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
First Ward,	John N. Merrill, M. D.	20 Greenwich st.
Second Ward,	William D. Craft,	5 Beekman st.
Third Ward,	John A. Gilmour,	289 Greenwich st.
Fourth Ward,	Michael J. Duffey,	439 Pearl st.
Fifth Ward,	Hugh King,	448 Greenwich st.
Sixth Ward,	John Mitchell,	499 Pearl st.
Seventh Ward,	George G. Hallock,	253 E. Broadway.
Eighth Ward,	Charles H. Housley,	21 King st.
Ninth Ward,	David M. Earle,	240 W. 11th st.
Tenth Ward,	John Williamson,	31 Norfolk st.
Eleventh Ward,	John C. Limbeck,	319 Third st.
Twelfth Ward,	John L. Tonnelle,	152d st. near 10th av.
Thirteenth Ward,	Frederick Germann,	176 Clinton st.
Fourteenth Ward,	Frankl'n Smith, M.D.,	136 Grand st.
Fifteenth Ward,	Charles M. Earle,	113 Waverley Place.
Sixteenth Ward,	John Castree,	356 W. 19th st.
Seventeenth Ward,	John N. Reynolds,	94 First st.
Eighteenth Ward,	Andrew Warner,	226 E. 15th st.
Nineteenth Ward,	Meyer Thalmessinger,	241 E. 16th st.
Twentieth Ward,	Wil'iam Kilian,	325 W. 32d st.
Twenty-first Ward,	Joseph R. Skidmore,	32 E. 38th st.
Twenty-second Ward,	Joel W. Mason,	321 W. 51st st.
Twenty-third Ward,	Nathan S. King, M.D.	Alex'r av. cor. 140st.
Twenty-fourth Ward,	Ferdinand Meyer,	178th st., cor. 4th av.

Said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the sixth section of

the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, Chapter 112 and 215 of the laws of 1873.

Respectfully submitted,

(Except as to nomination for Nineteenth Ward.)	DAVID WETMORE, HENRY P. WEST, R. G. BEARDSLEE, C. V. LEWIS, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH, WILLIAM WOOD, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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Commissioner BAKER moved that the question be divided and that the report of the Committee be adopted, except so much as relates to the Nineteenth Ward.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, except so much as relates to the Nineteenth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Julius Katzenburg be, and he is hereby appointed School Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, for the full

term of five years from January 1, 1876, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 112, laws of 1873, in place of Mr. Meyer Thalmessinger, nominated by the Committee.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Klamroth, Patterson, and Traud—5.

*Nays*—Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—14.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the recommendation of the Committee for School Trustee of the Nineteenth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—15.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Klamroth and Traud—3.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred the application of John C. Johnson, Principal of the School ship *Mercury*, for a donation of old books for said School Ship ; recommending that the application for the same be granted, and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the donation of 141 copies of Cruttenden's Young Pupils' Arithmetic, and 194 copies of Oram's First Reading Book, applied for by John C. Johnson, Principal of the

would adopt said resolution, affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presents  
the Committee on Supplies:

*To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Supplies beg leave  
advised for the delivery of supplies,  
bids, ranging from \$1,476 to \$2,980 p  
except one are from persons who pr  
business without any experience or pra  
out even possessing either horses or v  
livery of supplies is most urgent in  
when the weather and roads are at the  
fore, an inexperienced person would ex  
culty in entering upon the highly re  
livering the supplies. The Committe  
full and careful view of all the circum  
the public interest to reject all the bids  
interest that the Committee on Supplic  
the best arrangement they can for the  
out advertising for bids and to

be, and is hereby referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Supplies.
J. M. HALSTED,	
A. J. MATHEWSON,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for authority to fit up a class room in the play room of Primary school No. 21, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to fitting up a class room in the play room of Primary School No. 21, be, and the same is hereby denied.

DAVID WETMORE,	} Committee on School Furniture.
DAVID F. BAKER,	
EDW'D O. JENKINS,	

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, stating that in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Education, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture, &c., (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,)

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EDW'D C

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the  
would adopt said resolution, and it  
tive, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Bea  
sted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth,  
Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wei  
—18.

Commissioner **BAKER** presented a re  
on Warming and Ventilation, stating  
resolution of the Board, appropriat  
buildings, furniture and heating appar  
and 445,) they submit a resolution ap  
dry bills incurred under said appropri

*Resolved*, That the following named  
lution appropriation—

17th Ward,	John Neal.....	198	\$1
“ “	Wm. Fleming.....	73	00
“ “	A. Maguire.....	342	51
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		\$1,057 90	

DAVID F. BAKER, } Committee on  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } Warming and  
MORRIS WILKINS, } Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner PATTERSON presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to purchasing the two lots, Nos. 101 and 103 Bedford street, upon which to erect an addition to Grammar School Building No. 3, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to purchase the premises Nos. 101 and 103 Bedford street, adjoining Grammar School No. 3, be, and the same is hereby denied.

S. P. PATTERSON, } Committee  
MORRIS WILKINS, } on  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } Sites and  
LAWSON N. FULLER, } New Schools.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.



J. S. Burton, blank books, 1  
Wm. C. Bryant & Co., print  
*Journal of Commerce*, subscri  
1875.....  
*New York Times*, advertising  
*Evening Post*, advertising to  
Cushing & Bardua, printing 1  
L. D. Kiernan, postage, &c., 1  
S. Hyde, sprinkling streets,  
Nov. 27.....

HENRY  
DAVID  
S. P. P  
EDWARD

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the  
would adopt said resolution, and i  
ative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Be  
sted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamrot  
Schell, Trand, West, Wetmore, Wc

Commissioner HAYDEN

*Resolved*, That a penalty of five days' pay from her salary for the month of November be imposed upon Miss Kate O'Donnell, an assistant teacher in Grammar Department Grammar School No. 16, for a violation of Section 44 of the By-Laws of this Board, and, further, that she be reprimanded.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	
WM. DOWD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, nominating Miss M. Isabella Williams for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 18, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss M. Isabella Williams, nominated by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 18, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	
WM. DOWD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

department Grammar School  
be granted a leave of absence  
from December 1, 1875, pro  
employed in said department  
from Miss Clark's salary.

J. M.  
LEON  
WM.  
FERD

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the  
would adopt said resolution, and it

Commissioner **MATHEWSON** pres-  
mittee on Evening Schools, as follo  
*To the Honorable the Board of Edu*

The Committee on Evening Scho  
report of the City Superintendent o  
absenteeism in the Evening Scho  
they have given the subject a carefu  
to remedy the evil referred to in  
Principals of the several Evening S

The accompanying schedule will show in detail the result of their investigation. Your Committee, however, having been informed, by the Superintendent of Truancy, that this system cannot be continued regularly, inasmuch as it would constantly require the entire force of his department, and thus prevent the performance of its special and legitimate duties, have directed, instead thereof, that notices be sent by the principals to the parents or guardians of absent pupils by means of postal cards, which, under the direction of the Committee, have been prepared for that purpose. Your Committee are strongly impressed with the need of providing effectual means to prevent truancy in the Evening Schools, and hope that the measures they have instituted will successfully accomplish that object.

Respectfully,

A. J. MATHEWSON,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,  
LEONARD HAZELTINE,  
J. D. VERMILYE,

}

*Committee  
on  
Evening  
Schools.*

New York, Dec. 1, 1875.

*Summary of Cases of Absenteeism in Evening Schools Investigated by Agents of Truancy.*

	Total.	14 and Over.	Under 14.
Staid at home with knowledge of parents,	259	223	36
Residences not found.....	286	245	41
Found to be truants.....	126	106	20
Withdrawn from school....	147	117	30
Detained by work.....	240	220	20
Discharged from school....	1	1	0
Kept at home by sickness....	58	48	10
Claims not to have been absent.....	1	1	0
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Total number of cases investigated..	1118	961	157

## MALES.

	Total.	14 and Over.	Under 14.
Staid at home with knowledge of parents,	200	182	18
Not found.....	231	199	32
Found to be truants.....	120	102	18
Withdrawn from school.....	125	101	24
Detained by work.....	207	188	19
Discharged from school.....	1	1	0
Kept at home by sickness.....	35	30	5
	<hr/> 919	<hr/> 803	<hr/> 116

## FEMALES.

	Total	14 and over	Under 14
Staid at home with knowledge of parents,	59	41	18
Not found.....	55	46	9
Found to be truants.....	6	4	2
Withdrawn from school.....	22	16	6
Detained by work.....	33	32	1
Kept at home by sickness.....	23	18	5
Claims not to have been absent.....	1	1	0
	<hr/> 199	<hr/> 158	<hr/> 41

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, relative to paying the Female Assistants in Male Evening School No. 44 the rate per night as the Male Assistants; recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the application of the Trustees of the Fifth Ward to pay the Female Teachers in Male Evening School No. 44 the same salary as paid the Male Teachers, be, and the same is hereby denied.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from Philip Valentini, teacher in Male Evening School No. 32, Twentieth Ward, complaining of one of the Assistant Superintendents, stating that in the opinion of the Committee there is no cause for complaint by Mr. Valentini, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Evening Schools be discharged from the further consideration of the communication from Philip Valentini, teacher in Male Evening School No. 32, Twentieth Ward.

A. J. MATHEWSON, EDWARD O. JENKINS, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Com-

shall be prohibited to use any  
language against the wishes of  
expressed either personally or in  
the school.

ALBERT KLAM  
EDWARD O. JE  
A. P. MAN,  
WILLIAM WOOL

The **PRESIDENT pro tem.** put the question and would adopt said resolution, and it was carried, as follows :

**Ayes**—Commissioners Baker, Bearsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Schell, Trand, Vermilye, West, Wetmore—18.

Commissioner **KLAMROTH** presented a communication from the Committee on Course of Study and School Improvement, referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Wards, remonstrating against the discontinuance of Musical Instruction; stating that the

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be, and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the remonstrances of the Trustees of the Sixth and Sixteenth Wards, against the proposed change in Musical Instruction in the Public Schools.

ALBERT KLAMROTH,	} <i>Committee on</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
A. P. MAN,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
	<i>Course of Study</i>
	<i>and School Books.</i>

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner MAN presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Section 145 of the By-Laws, page 219 of the Manual; recommending that the proposed amendment be adopted, and submitting the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That section 145 of the By-Laws, Manual, page 219, be amended by inserting after the word "Teacher," on the 7th line, as follows:

"And shall co-operate with such agents of the Board of Health as may be authorized to visit the schools for the purpose of examining and vaccinating the pupils, and shall require a re-vaccination of all pupils ascertained by said agent of the Board of Health not to be fully protected by a former vaccination, and no pupil refusing to be so re-vaccinated, when required either by the agent of the Board of Health, or by the physician of the family to which he or she may belong, shall be permitted to attend any Public School until such requirement is fully complied with."

A. P. MAN,	} <i>Committee on</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
	<i>By-Laws, Elections</i>
	<i>and Qualifications.</i>

Laid over under the rules.



Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, making the award of contract for improving the grounds around the Normal College to Denis Cotterell, for eighteen hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$1,876), and asking for an appropriation of eight hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$876) in addition to the one thousand dollars (\$1000) already appropriated by the Board (Journal, pp. 634, 635.)

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		
LAWSON N. FULLER,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, submitting the following preamble and resolutions for adoption :

*Whereas*, By the laws of 1870, Chapter 383, Section 12, it is enacted that "The Normal School under the charge of the Board of Education of New York City, shall hereafter be known as the "Normal College of the City of New York ;" and,

*Whereas*, There is now no Normal School under the charge of the Board of Education, the Colored Normal School having been discontinued ; therefore

*Resolved*, That the present designation of Standing Committee No. 9 is a misnomer, and in accordance with neither law nor fact ; be it, therefore, further

*Resolved*, That the designation of Standing Committee No. 9 be changed to "Committee on Normal College," and that

wherever the words "Normal Schools" occur in the By-Laws, the words "Normal College" be substituted.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
ALBERT KLAMROTH,		
J. M. HALSTED,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, relative to a readjustment of the salaries of the officers and instructors in the Nautical School, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the salaries of the following named officers and instructors in the Nautical School be, and the same are hereby fixed as follows :

Executive Officer, George H. Wadleigh,	per annum	\$1200
Senior Instructor, George W. DeLong,	"	1000
Junior Instructor, Wm. H. Jaques,	"	800
Surgeon and Instructor, Daniel C. Burleigh,	"	800

to take effect from the first day of January next.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Executive Committee on Nautical School.</i>
WM. DOWD,		
EDWARD SCHELL,		
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the

Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, requesting an appropriation of one hundred and eighty-eight dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$188.98), for the payment of two bills of Guiry & Bro., incurred for fitting up the building leased for a branch of Grammar School No. 27, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following bills of Guiry & Bro , incurred by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for “fitting up the building leased as a branch of Grammar School No. 27,” be, and they hereby are approved for payment, the amount to be charged to the incidental fund of said Ward, viz :

Guiry & Bro., August 25th to September 10th, 1875.....		\$172 98	
	Overcharges.....	41 28	
			\$131 70
do	August 5th, 1875.....	16 00	
Total.....			\$147 70

WM. DOWD,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
EDWARD SCHELL,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

*Whereas*, It is desirable to reduce as much as possible the expenses of this Board, and to limit the cost of printing its documents to what is absolutely essential and necessary; and

*Whereas*, It is desirable not unnecessarily to occupy the time and tax the attention of the members of the Board ; therefore

*Resolved*, That in future, the City Superintendents' Annual Report be made up by himself alone, and that the printing of the reports of the Assistant Superintendents to their chief be dispensed with, but that the Superintendent's report be countersigned by his assistants, as recording their entire concurrence in it, and that such Annual Report cover the work of said assistants, and give the gist of their observations regarding what they have seen, heard and done in their examinations of the different schools under the care of this Board, and that the report be reduced as much as possible to tabular forms, that it may set forth results, as to education and morals, as distinctly as practicable, special attention being given to indicate clearly the attainments of the pupils of the Common Schools, in reading, writing, and the first four rules of arithmetic ; and further, that it set forth what effect, in the opinion of the City Superintendent, has been produced on our Common Schools by the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Law, during the year 1875.

On motion of Commissioner KLAMROTH :

*Ordered*, That said resolution be entered in full in the minutes, and laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

*Clerk.*



## **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1875.**

### **STATED SESSION.**

*Present*—Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, LEWIS, MATHEWSON, PATTERSON, SCHELL, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WEST, WETMORE, WOOD and WILKINS—19.

*Absent*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioner MAN—2.

The PRESIDENT being absent, the Board was called to order by the Clerk.

Commissioner Dowd, on motion, was chosen President *pro tem*.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem*. put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on December 1, as printed in the Journal.

Commissioner Wood moved to amend page 749, last line, by striking out the initial letter "M." in the name of the Principal of G. S. No. 27, and inserting "O'Connell."

Commissioner BEARDSLEE moved to amend the residence of Meyer Thalmessinger, Trustee, page 765, by striking out "16th" and inserting so that it shall read "60th street."

Commissioner WEST moved to amend the residence of Franklin Smith, M. D., Trustee, page 765, by striking out "136" and inserting "186."

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* laid before the Board a communication from the President, asking to be excused for non-attendance at this session of the Board, and assigning the groups of schools to the Commissioners for visitation during the six months from January 1st to June 30th, 1876, as follows:

### CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOLS,

BY GROUPS,

*For visitation by each Commissioner between January 1st and June 30th, 1876.*

	Com. BAKER.	Com. BRADSHAW.	Com. CAYLUS.	Com. DOWD.	Com. FULLER.	Com. GOULDING.	Com. HALSTED.	Com. HAZELTINE.	Com. KANE.	Com. KELLY.	Com. KLANROTH.	Com. MATHESON.	Com. NEILSON.	Com. PLACE.	Com. SCHELL.	Com. TRAUD.	Com. VERMILY.	Com. WEST.	Com. WETMORE.	Com. WILKINS.	Com. WOOD.
Groups .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Grammar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Schools	67	60	65	64	69	62	61	60	59	58	57	56	55	54	53	52	51	50	49	48	47
	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26
	25	24	23	22	21																
Primary					17	14	13	11	12	10	15	9	16	6	5	8	7	4	3	2	1
Schools	18	19	21	22	20	24	22	23	25	27	30		34	40	41	43	26	44	45	46	47
									45			42	39	37	36	35	33	31	30	28	
Colored Schools	1	2	3	4																	

On motion, the President was excused.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board a communication from Commissioner Man, as follows :

NEW YORK, Dec. 9, 1875.

HON. WM. H. NEILSON,

*President of the Board of Education :*

DEAR SIR.—I regret that an unavoidable engagement at the West will prevent me from attending the next meeting of the Board. Will you kindly ask the Board to excuse my absence.

As this will be the last regular meeting of the Board during my term of office, permit me to express to yourself, and to each and all of our associates, my sincere thanks for the uniform kindness and courtesy extended to me. I beg you and them to accept also my earnest wishes for the success of your future administration of the great and important interests committed to your care.

Very truly and respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. P. MAN.

On motion, Commissioner Man was excused.

*Ordered,* That said communication be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Mary K. McClusky, P. S. No. 8.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.



From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, on the award of contracts for alteration and desks for Grammar School house No. 3, and asking for an appropriation of \$1,498 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for an extra appropriation to pay sundry bills in excess of the yearly allowance.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Miss Urania Downs Secord for Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 15, in place of Miss Urania Downs, resigned, and Miss Henrietta Katkamier for Vice-Principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Aimee Sinclair, P. S. No. 5.

Miss Elizabeth Hunter, G. S. P. D. No. 22.

Miss Agnes Koenen, G. S. M. D. No. 22.

Miss Emma L. Howe, G. S. No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for authority to use the Trustees' room for class-rooms, and to fit up a smaller room for the use of the Board.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for an upright piano for Branch P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Pauline Rubin, P. D. G. S. No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Gen. A. J. Gonzales as an Assistant in Evening School No. 25, to teach a class of Cubans in the English language.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for leave of absence for six months for Miss Annie B. Gray, M. D. G. S. No. 13.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss Annie B. Gray, M. D. G. S. No. 13.

Miss Isabella C. Palmatier, P. S. No. 22.

Miss Mary E. Flinn, P. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to payment of excess of bills for 1875 out of the general fund of the Board appropriated for repairs, &c.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for umbrella stands for sundry schools.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Elizabeth A. Wilkinson, P. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for desks in two class-rooms in G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From two of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to certain charges in the matter of the nomination of Trustee for said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Rosalie T. Coughlan, G. S. No. 26.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for a carpet for the platform of G. D. G. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for increased heating surfaces for G. S. building No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to fires in G. S. building No. 32, and increased protection therefrom by changes in the heating apparatus.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to divisor for attendance at G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating Elbert W. Brown for Vice-Principal of G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss G. L. Simpson, F. D. G. S. No. 14.

Miss J. E. Carey, F. D. G. S. No. 14.

Miss R. G. Hartman, M. D. G. S. No. 14.

Miss S. A. Robinson, P. D. G. S. No. 14.

Lafayette Olney, Principal M. D. G. S. No. 14.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to lots on West Fifty-sixth street, near Ninth avenue.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking to excuse the absence of the following teachers :

Miss A. V. Fox, F. D. G. S. No. 9.

Miss I. Parsells, P. S. No. 40.

Mrs. E. E. Grinton, F. D. No. 17.

Miss H. Fox, F. D. No. 28.

Miss M. McGaugh, M. D. No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for settees in G. S. No. 60, &c.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for additional compensation for the Clerk.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to a violation of the By-Law on corporal punishment by P. H. Gruenthal, G. S. No. 13.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board a report from the Superintendent of Truancy, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUANCY, }  
NEW YORK, December 15, 1875. }

*To the Board of Education :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Truancy from December 1st to the 14th, inclusive.

The total number of cases investigated by the Agents was 845.

Of this number 414 were kept from school by various minor causes, and 143 whose residence could not be found, leaving 288 truants and non-attendants, of which number 261 have been placed in school, 2 committed to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, 4 committed to the care of the Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents, and 21 withdrawn from school:

Of the children above reported as having been withdrawn

from school, 5 have left the city, 7 gone to work, and 9 been placed in various institutions by their parents.

Appended will be found a detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. M. STANTON,  
*Superintendent of Truancy.*

SCHEDULE

No. of children kept at home by their parents.....	212	
“ “ sickness.....	135	
“ “ poverty.....	67	
“ whose residence could not be found.	143	
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Total number not classed as truants.....		557
No. of children found to be truants.....	196	
“ “ habitual truants.....	58	
“ “ non-attendants .....	34	
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Total number of truants and non-attendants.		288
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Total number of cases investigated.....		845
No. of truants returned to school.....	175	
“ “ habitual truants returned to school.....	52	
“ “ non-attendants placed in school... ..	34	
“ “ children withdrawn from school.....	21	
“ “ “ committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction.....	2	
“ “ “ committed to Society for Reforma- tion of Juvenile Delinquents...	4	
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Total number placed in and withdrawn from school.		288

*Ordered,* That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and placed on file.

## MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From Dexter A. Hawkins, Esq., asking for an informal meeting of the Board at which he might lay before the Board certain views in regard to the system of popular education.

Commissioner JENKINS moved that the communication be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner HALSTED offered the following as a substitute :

*Resolved*, That this Board hold a special meeting on Wednesday, December 22d inst., at four o'clock P. M., to hear the statement alluded to in the communication of Dexter A. Hawkins, Esq.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution of Commissioner Halsted, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Jenkins, and it was decided in the affirmative.

From William Kilian, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Twentieth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Adam Corell, an application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Henry Heinzl, an application for appointment as Agent of Truancy.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Prof. A. Gilbert, relative to an exhibition of trained birds in Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Michael F. Power, relative to interference with his business.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner JENKINS offered the following :

*Resolved*, That according to custom hitherto adopted by the Board, the Principals of Evening Schools are hereby directed to close the same on Christmas Eve.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Comptroller of this city be requested to report to this Board, at its meeting January 12th, 1876, the compensation paid counsel in litigation for and on behalf of the Board of Education, during the years 1873, 1874 and 1875, not including the first quarter of the year 1873.



The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WEST offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Truancy be directed to make to this Board, as soon after the close of the present year as possible, a report of the transactions of his department during the year under the Compulsory Education Act.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DOWD offered the following:

*Whereas*, Changes have been made in the methods of heating many of our school buildings, and in the surface of altered buildings, which, under the by-laws, affect the salaries of the janitors of said buildings; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Engineer of this Board be directed to ascertain and report to the Committee on Buildings, the details of all such changes for the purpose of having the salaries adjusted in accordance with the by-laws; and that he also report the residences of all janitors of school buildings, and such other information as may be requisite to enable said Committee to designate the salary to be paid for the care of each building, that the same may be inserted in the Manual for 1876.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Sarah

**E. Heybeck**, teacher in the Normal College, for three days ; and submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Sarah E. Heybeck, a teacher in the Normal College, be excused for three days' absence during the month of November ; said absence having been caused by sickness.

WILLIAM WOOD, ALBERT KLAMROTH, J. D. VERMILYE, LAWSON N. FULLER, J. M. HALSTED,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking for an additional appropriation of six hundred dollars (\$600) from the Reserved Fund of the Board, and submitting a resolution authorizing it:

*Resolved*, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600), in addition to the sums already granted, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of outstanding bills, and for current expenses of the Normal College and Training School, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on Normal Schools, in accordance with the By-Laws of this Board.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. M. HALSTED, J. D. VERMILYE, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, in accordance with resolution appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Jol. pp. 426, 444, 445), submitting the following resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution of this Board appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Jol. pp. 426, 444, 445), be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

9th Ward—Robert Paton & Son.....	\$169 50
23d    “        The National School Furniture Co.	175 00
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	\$284 50

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
EDW'D O. JENKINS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to placing desks in two class rooms of Primary Department Grammar School No. 53, and four class rooms in Female Department Grammar School No. 18; also for new platforms to be built in the three departments of Grammar School No. 27; and submitting a resolution authorizing the Trustees to advertise for proposals for doing said work:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise, in the usual manner, for proposals for placing writing desks in two class rooms of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 53, and four class rooms of Female Department of Grammar School No. 18, also for new platforms for the three departments of G. S. No. 27. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and the Committee on School Furniture.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,		
C. V. LEWIS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, to remunerate the janitor for premises hired during the alterations to Grammar School No. 38, and submitting the following resolution for adoption :

*Resolved*, That the janitor of Grammar School No. 38, be paid the sum of ninety dollars (\$90) for money expended in hiring apartments during the alterations to Grammar School No. 38.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
C. V. LEWIS,		
DAVID F. BAKER,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Agar*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazelting, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Tradd, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

The Board of Health presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation with a resolution of the Board approving of \$1,000 for repairs on buildings etc. and to pay \$400 for the purchase of a building for the purpose of warming and ventilation.

*Agar*—That the following names were presented under a resolution of the Board appropriating \$1,000 for repairs to the buildings of the city of \$400 for the purchase of the building for the purpose of warming and ventilation.

Mr. Wm. C. George	Tradd	\$7. 00
Mr. James L. P. ...	Tradd	155. 00
Mr. Wm. S. ...	Tradd	57. 00
Mr. ...	Tradd	54. 00
Mr. ...	Tradd	157. 00
Mr. James H. ...	Tradd	171. 00
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		\$735. 00

Wm. Dowd, }  
 David F. Baker, } Committee  
 Morris Wilkins, } on  
 C. V. Lewis, } Buildings.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would accept said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

*Agar*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazelting, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Tradd, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in accordance with a resolution

adopted by this Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus, (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) submitting a resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills for repairs to heating apparatus, incurred under a resolution of this Board,(Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445,) be, and the same are hereby approved for payment :

1st Ward,	R. E. & W. T. Peterson.....	\$61 94
12th	“ J. Elder, Jr.....	54 85
12th	“ Gillis & Geoghegan.....	7 25
18th	“ John Neal.....	296 74
19th	“ John Elder, Jr.....	545 97
19th	“ August Naumer.....	183 28
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		\$1,150 03

DAVID F. BAKER, } Committee on  
FERDINAND TRAUD, } Warming and  
C. V. LEWIS, } Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Central Ice Co., Ice from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1875.....	\$40 07
David I. Stagg, Trow's City Directory.....	6 00
R. E. & W. T. Peterson, repairs to stoves, etc., Board of Education.....	8 20
Edward B. Hayes, chairs for Examination Room	33 00
M. L. Barrett, city survey, 148th st., 23d Ward	40 00
John E. White, expenses, etc., for year 1875..	100 00
Leander Lent, plumbing, Board of Education..	24 64

HENRY P. WEST, DAVID F. BAKER, EDWARD O. JENKINS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner MATHEWSON presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom. was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Miss Maggie Garvin for Principal of Female Evening School No. 38, *vice* Miss Kate O'Hara, resigned, recommending that the nomination be confirmed, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Maggie Garvin, nominated by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward for the position of Principal of Female Evening School No. 38, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position, to date from the commencement of service.

A. J. MATHEWSON, LEONARD HAZELTINE, FERDINAND TRAUD, EDWARD O. JENKINS, J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating Mrs. Josephine Cozans for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 35, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Mrs. Josephine Cozans, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 35, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE,	
WM. DOWD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred a communication from the majority of the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Miss Abbe



A. Wright for Principal Female Department Grammar School No. 29; and also a communication from one of the Trustees, dissenting from the action of the majority, and recommending Miss Amy B. Butts for said position. The Committee recommend the appointment of Miss Butts, and submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Miss Amy B. Butts be, and she hereby is appointed to the position of Principal of the Female Department of Grammar School No. 29, *vice* Miss Katharine W. White, resigned, to date from the commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} <i>Committee</i>	
WM. DOWD,		<i>on</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		<i>Teachers.</i>

Commissioner MATHEWSON moved to strike out the name of Miss Butts, and insert the name of Miss Abbe A. Wright.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Kelly, Mathewson and Traud—3.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Patterson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Patterson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

*Nays*—Commissioners Kelly and Traud—2.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating Miss Maria E. Reardon and Miss Catharine Brophy for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 12, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Maria E. Reardon and Miss Catharine Brophy, nominated by the Trustees of the Fourth Ward for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 12, they having (as appears from the annexed certificates of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and they hereby are appointed to said positions from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE KELLY,	
LEONARD HAZELTINE.	
WM. DOWD,	

As to nomination of Miss Reardon for Principal,  
and opposed as to the nomination of Miss  
Brophy, not deeming a Vice-Principal needed  
in the school named,

FERDINAND TRAUD,

with the same objection as Comm'r Dowd.

Commissioner BAKER called for a division of the question, which was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution as relates to the appointment of Miss Reardon for Principal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson,

Patterson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—19.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution as relates to the appointment of Miss Brophy for Vice-Principal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Beardslee, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—13.

*Nays*—Commissioners Baker, Dowd, Klamroth, Traud and Vermilye—5.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the Centennial Exposition in 1876, as follows:

*To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred a preamble and resolution offered by Commissioner Wetmore on the first of September last, as follows:

“*Whereas*, Arrangements are now being made for a complete exhibit of the various systems of education in this and other countries, at the International Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia in 1876; therefore,

“*Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study, &c., be requested to consider and report what measures are expedient and practicable in order to secure for the City of New York a proper presentation of its system of popular education, in all its departments, at the aforesaid Exhibition,”

respectfully report, that in compliance with the said resolution, they have given this subject a careful attention, and while as yet undecided as to the practicability of making such an exhibition of our system as would present its chief features of merit, present for the consideration of the Board the following suggestions as to what might be prepared for such exhibition by the time appointed should the Board decide in favor of the expediency of making the attempt:

1. *A printed statement* of the history, progress, working, condition, cost and results of the system.

2. *Plans and elevations* of the Normal College and other school edifices, showing dimensions, mode of heating, furnishing, &c., and including plans of the other buildings, so as to show by contrast the progress of school architecture in the city.

3. *Stereoscopic views* of the exterior and interior of buildings, main halls and class rooms—in some cases with pupils assembled for instruction.

4. *A set of text books* in most general use, in case, arranged by grades, with Teachers' Manual and synoptical statement of the prescribed course of instruction.

5. *School apparatus* used in the several grades.

6. *A set of reports, journals and documents* of the Board of Education, from the date of its organization to the present time, in separate case.

7. *Scholars' work*, to include the following:

(1.) Work of a single school in *Penmanship*, arranged by classes or grades and bound in a single volume.

(2.) Work of another school in *Drawing*, arranged in a similar manner.

(3.) The same in *Composition*.

(4.) Exercises in *Spelling*, from a school or series of classes, under assigned conditions, and attested by proper overseers.

(5.) Similar exercises in *Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, German, French, &c.*

(6.) Lessons in *Object Instruction* from a whole school: the questions written out or illustrative topics presented, showing the work in each grade of the Primary Schools.

(7.) Similar lessons in *Elementary Science* in the Grammar Schools.

The paper in all these exhibits to be of uniform size, the binding plain but neat, and each volume to be clearly lettered so as to show its exact contents. As many schools as possible to be represented in this work. No miscellaneous specimens of individuals to be exhibited. All circumstances of preparation, as length of lesson or exercise, age of pupils, time under instruction, etc., to be fully and actually stated.

To carry out the above properly your Committee estimate that an appropriation of from \$1,500 to \$2,000 would be necessary; and while, of course, the really strong points of the system—its practical teaching and effective discipline, could not be exhibited, yet there is no doubt that it would give to strangers some idea of the plan, organization and results of our system of popular education, and induce very many to supplement their inspection of these various objects exhibited by an actual visit to the schools.

At any rate, your Committee feel that it is a point of great importance to be considered whether among so many of our sister cities of the Union who, for this Centennial World's Fair, are making great effort to present their school systems as con-

stituting the most creditable and valuable of American institutions, the City of New York can be honorably found wanting.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT KLAMROTH, MORRIS WILKINS, EDWARD O. JENKINS, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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New York, Dec. 15, 1875.

*Ordered*, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and laid on the table.

Commissioner KLAMROTH presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from F. McDermott, relative to placing his Globe on the list of Supplies, submitting a resolution authorizing the same:

*Resolved*, That the "New York 12 inch Globes," with high and low stands, respectively, be placed upon the list of supplies for 1876.

ALBERT KLAMROTH, EDWARD O. JENKINS, MORRIS WILKINS, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Tiaud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner JENKINS presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, to whom was referred a number of applications from the Trustees and sundry citizens of the Twelfth Ward, relative to re-establishing a Colored School in Harlem, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application from the Trustees and citizens of the Twelfth Ward, to establish a Colored School in Harlem, be, and the same is hereby denied.

EDWARD O. JENKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Colored Schools.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
WM. DOWD,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-Second Ward, with reference to closing the Male Department of Grammar School No. 9 at such times as may be necessary to complete the repairs now in progress, without detriment to the salaries of the teachers now employed ; recommending that the authority asked for be granted, and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to close the Male Department of Grammar School No. 9 at such times as may be necessary to complete the repairs now being made, without detriment to the salaries of the teachers now employed in said department.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication of the City Superintendent, relative to the suspension of a boy named John Apinan from the Male Department of Grammar School No. 35; submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications be discharged from the further consideration of a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to the suspension of John Apinan from the Male Department of Grammar School No. 35.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,		
J. D. VERMILYK,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to changing the designation of Standing Committee No. 9 to that of "Committee on Normal College," &c., and submitting for adoption a resolution making the proposed change:

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws be amended by changing the designation of Standing Committee No. 9 from "Committee on Normal Schools" to the "Committee on Normal College,"



and wherever the words "Normal Schools" occur, substitute the words "Normal College."

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
HENRY P. WEST,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, recommending the payment of a bill presented by Mr. Charles S. Wright, for furnishing fuel to Grammar Schools Nos. 3 and 41, and Primary Schools Nos. 18 and 24, in October, 1873; and submitting for adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the claim of Charles S. Wright, for wood supplied to Grammar Schools Nos. 3 and 41, and Primary Schools Nos. 18 and 24, in October, 1873, amounting to thirty-three dollars and fifty cents (\$33.50) be, and the same is hereby approved for payment.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
J. M. HALSTED,		
A. J. MATHEWSON,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to award of contracts for dividing the galleries and furnishing four class rooms with desks and seats in Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 3, as follows :

For carpenter work, to Jones & Holcomb, for....	\$425 00
For desks and seats, to Robert Paton & Son, for..	1,073 00
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	\$1,498 00

stating that the Board has the "ability" to appropriate this amount, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of fourteen hundred and ninety-eight dollars (\$1,498.00) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for dividing the galleries and furnishing with desks and seats four class rooms, in Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 3, Ninth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of the by-laws and rules of this Board are complied with in respect to the form of contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, and the payments to be made under said contracts.

WM. DOWD,	} <i>Finance</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	

*Committee.*

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, asking for an additional appropriation of six hundred dollars (\$600) for the payment of outstanding bills, and for current expenses of the Normal College and Training School, stating that the Board has the "financial ability" to appropriate said amount.

The report of the Committee on Normal Schools is found on page 797 of the Journal of this date.

Wm. Dowd, J. D. Vermilye, R. G. Beardslee,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the Report of the Committee on Normal Schools, as found on page 797 of the Journal of this date, in connection with this Report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for an appropriation of one hundred dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$100.68) to pay two bills for repairs to Grammar School Building No. 62, stating that the balance of the fund for incidental expenses of said Ward is sufficient to cover this expense, and recommending that the bills be paid from that fund, accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the bills of C. Ehrman, sixteen dollars (\$16) and John C. Grant, eighty-four dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$84.68), for repairing Grammar School Building No. 62, in

November last, be, and they hereby are authorized to be paid, and the amounts charged to the allowance to the Twenty-third Ward for incidental expenses, etc., upon their approval by the Superintendent of School Buildings.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, submitting a resolution appropriating two hundred dollars (\$200) for the payment of the claim of Stephen H. King, for services rendered by authority of the Board in the capacity of watchman of the premises on Thomas avenue (new school house); stating that the Board has the “ability” to make the appropriation. The resolution submitted by that Committee is on page 763 of the Journal.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, as found on page 763 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to paying sundry bills incurred by the several Wards for incidental repairs, etc., in 1874, amounting in the aggregate to about \$300, and recommending an appropriation to pay these bills, stating that the Board has the “ability,” and submitting a resolution authorizing it :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and sixteen cents (\$299.16) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the school moneys of 1874, for the payment of the following bills :

5th Ward,	John Neal, repairs.....	\$11 19
11th “	G. C. Lugar, glazing.....	94 49
12th “	Theo. E. Jones, fuel.....	29 00
“ “	David Melville, plumbing.....	76 16
“ “	Peter Bense, clock repairs.....	2 50
“ “	James Robertson, repairs.....	14 13
13th “	J. C. Schuetz, tuning piano.....	10 00
15th “	George H. Thomas, repairs.....	23 77
“ “	P. DeHoog, tuning pianos.....	25 00
18th “	Samuel Bloomer, repairs.....	4 91
“ “	Samuel Sturgeon, repairs.....	8 01
Total.....		\$299 16

said bills to be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills for extra work submitted by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, as incurred under the contracts for altering Grammar School Building No. 38, viz :

E. B. W. Hays, Mason.....	\$242 79
Edward Gridley, Carpenter.....	367 54
Cornelius Ford, Painter.....	155 00
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Total.....	\$765 33

The Committee recommend that the appropriation requisite for the payment of these bills be made, stating that the Board has the “ability” to make it, and submitting a resolution authorizing this:

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and sixty-five dollars and thirty-three cents (\$765.33) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bills for extra work incurred by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward under the contracts for altering and repairing Grammar School Building No. 38, in the Eighth Ward; said bills to be paid in accordance with the rules of this Board governing contract payments.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, submitting the awards made by them for erecting a building on Courtlandt avenue, Mott Haven, as follows :

For Mason Work, to Kingston & Haffan, for.....	\$20,640 00
For Carpenter Work, to Wm. J. O'Connor, for.....	18,975 00
For Painting Work, to John Renshaw.....	1,327 00
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	\$40,942 00

Stating that the Board has the “ ability ” to appropriate the sums needed to meet the above awards, and submitting a resolution in the usual form authorizing the appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the sum of forty thousand, nine hundred and forty-two dollars (\$40,942) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting a school building on Courtlandt avenue, near Third avenue, Mott Haven, according to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings ; but no part of said money to be paid until the usual requirements of this Board are complied with, in respect to the form of the contracts to be entered into by the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, and the payments to be made under said contracts.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the following bills for consideration, viz.:

Martin B. Brown, for posting notices of Evening Schools in the Seventh Ward.....	\$6 25
Cameron & Co., for posting notices of Evening Schools in the Thirteenth Ward.....	26 00
Geo. Vandewater, for posting notices of Evening Schools in the Sixteenth Ward.....	3 50

accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the above named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment; the amounts to be charged to the appropriation for Evening School expenses, and that the Trustees of the several Wards be requested not to incur bills of this character, as the advertising of schools is done by this Board.

WM. DOWD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE		
J. D. VERMILYE,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :



*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, stating "that the appropriations required for special purposes, such as buildings, furniture, heating apparatus, and repairs to the same, some of which are before the Board for approval at this meeting, will more than exhaust the reserved fund, and reporting the 'financial ability' of the Board to comply with these requirements, your Committee have relied upon obtaining a transfer, from some one of the general appropriations, of such sum as will cover the deficiency. Upon inquiry, it is ascertained that the \$50,000 set apart for the 'Nautical School' will be only partially required for such support, and that fifteen thousand dollars can be spared readily from it for other purposes, which sum we recommend be taken from that account and placed to the credit of the Special Appropriation account." A resolution to this effect is submitted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) be, and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation "For the support of the Nautical School" to the credit of the account of "Special Appropriations," and set apart and reserved for any of the School purposes authorized by law.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson,

Schell, Traud, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—18.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report from the Committee on Normal College, relative to the award of contract made by them to Dennis Cotterell, for “improving the grounds around the Normal College Buildings,” for the sum of eighteen hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$1,876); stating that the Board has the “ability” to appropriate for this purpose the sum of eight hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$876), which is the sum required, in addition to the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) already set apart; and submitting the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the additional sum of eight hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$876) for “improving the grounds around the Normal College Building” be, and the same is hereby appropriated; but no part of said money shall be paid until the usual requirements of the By-Laws of this Board are complied with, in respect to the form of the contract to be entered into by the Committee on Normal Schools, and the payments to be made under said contract.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

*Nay*—Commissioner Traud—1.

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner WETMORE moved that the Board take up for consideration the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications found on page 779 of the Journal.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HAZELTINE moved that the by-law as submitted by the Committee be amended so as to read as follows :

“And shall co-operate with such agents of the Board of Health as may be authorized to visit the schools for the purpose of examining and vaccinating the pupils, and shall require a re-vaccination of all pupils ascertained by said agents of the Board of Health not to be fully protected by a former vaccination, and no pupil refusing to be so re-vaccinated, either by the agent of the Board of Health or by the physician of the family to which he or she may belong, shall be permitted to attend any Public School until such requirement is fully complied with.

A certificate of any physician in good standing in his profession, stating that the pupil does not require re-vaccination, shall be accepted by the agents of the Board of Health in lieu of a personal examination.”

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment as proposed by Commissioner Hazeltine, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Lewis, Mathewson, Schell, Vermilye, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—17.

Commissioner KLAMROTH moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Musical Director.

Commissioner WEST moved that the motion of Commissioner Klamroth be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD moved that when the Board adjourns it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next, the 22d inst.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD gave notice that at the next meeting of the Board he would move to rescind the by-law as found on pages 443 and 444 of the Journal, relative to instruction in music in the Public Schools.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD, the Board took up for consideration the resolution found on pages 782 and 783 of the Journal, relative to the annual reports of the City Superintendent and his assistants.

Commissioner HAZELTINE moved that said resolution be amended by striking out all after the word "with," in the fourth line, down to and including the word "but," in the sixth line.

Commissioner WOOD accepted the amendment.

Commissioner WETMORE moved further to amend by striking out all after the word "Board," in the tenth line, down to and including the word "arithmetic," in the fifteenth line.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said amendment, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner WILKINS moved further to amend by striking out "1875 " in the last line, and inserting the word "preceding," before the word "year."

Commissioner Wood accepted said amendment.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution as amended reads as follows :

*Whereas*, It is desirable to reduce as much as possible the expenses of this Board, and to limit the cost of printing its documents to what is absolutely essential and necessary ; and

*Whereas*, It is desirable not unnecessarily to occupy the time and tax the attention of the members of the Board ; therefore

*Resolved*, That in future, the City Superintendents' Annual Report be made up by himself alone, and that the printing of the reports of the Assistant Superintendents to their chief be dispensed with ; that such Annual Report cover the work of said assistants, and give the gist of their observations regarding what they have seen, heard and done in their examinations of the different schools under the care of this Board, and that the report be reduced as much as possible to tabular forms, that it may set forth results, as to education and morals, as distinctly as practicable, special attention being given to indicate clearly the attainments of the pupils

of the Common Schools, in reading, writing, and the first four rules of arithmetic ; and further, that it set forth what effect, in the opinion of the City Superintendent, has been produced on our Common Schools by the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Law, during the preceding year.

Commissioner WILKINS offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the resolution passed by this Board, Sept. 15, 1875, adopting the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, in relation to Musical Instruction in the public schools, which report is found on pages 443 and 444, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to issue a circular to the Board of Trustees and Principals of Schools, calling their special attention to the amended by-laws in regard to vaccination.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

1. The first part of the document is a list of names and addresses of the members of the committee.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1875.**

**ADJOURNED SESSION.**

*Present*—WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners BAKER, BEARDSLEE, DOWD, FULLER, HALSTED, HAZELTINE, JENKINS, KELLY, KLAMROTH, PATTERSON, TRAUD, WEST, WETMORE, WOOD and WILKINS—16.

*Absent*—Commissioners LEWIS, MAN, MATHEWSON, SCHELL and VERMILYE—5.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held on December 15.

Commissioner WEST moved that they be amended on page 802, second line from top of page, by making the figures “\$40.07” read “\$42.07.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session held December 15th as amended by Commissioner West, and it was decided in the affirmative.

**COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for chairs, &c., for schools in the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.



From the Trustees of the L  
Henrietta L. Wood, as teacher in

Referred to the Committee on

From the Trustees of the Tw  
lowing nominations:

Theodore S. Van Cott, for Vice-

Miss Juliet Pearson, “

Miss Hattie Denniston, “

Referred to the Committee on T

From the Trustees of the Nine  
patriation of \$114.23, to pay bill of

Referred to the Finance Commit

From the Trustees of the Twen  
mission to hire premises on 144  
Branch of Primary Department of

Referred to the Committee on E

The PRESIDENT announced that Commissioner Schell desired to be excused for absence from this meeting.

On motion, Commissioner Schell was excused.

Commissioner Dowd stated that Commissioner Vermilye desired to be excused from non-attendance at this meeting.

On motion, Commissioner Vermilye was excused.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, as follows :

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
December 18, 1875. }

SIR—At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, held December 15, 1875, the following resolutions were adopted, viz :

*Resolved*, That the resolution adopted by this Board, granting premises on north-east corner of Lexington avenue and 67th street, to the Board of Education, on October 6, 1875, be, and the same is hereby rescinded, and declared of no effect.

*Resolved*, That the premises commencing at the south-east corner of Lexington avenue and 68th street, running thence south along the east side of Lexington avenue 100 feet 5 inches, to the line of the centre of the block between 67th and 68th streets, thence east along such centre line 125 feet, thence north parallel with Lexington avenue 100 feet 5 inches to the southerly line or side of 68th street, and thence west

along the southerly side of 68th street 125 feet, to the point of beginning, be, and the same are hereby assigned to the Board of Education of the City of New York, for the erection of an edifice thereon for a grammar or primary school, and for the use of said Board during the time that such premises are occupied and used for Common School purposes.

Respectfully,

A. H. GREEN,  
*Comptroller.*

WM. H. NEILSON, Esq., *President, Board of Education.*

*Ordered*, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From Lawrence G. Goulding, resigning his position as Trustee for the Seventh Ward, as follows :

NEW YORK, November 18, 1875.

*To the Honorable the Board of Education of the City of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—I hereby tender you my resignation as a School Trustee of the Seventh Ward, to take effect on the 1st of January next.

Very respectfully,

L. G. GOULDING.

*Ordered*, That said resignation be accepted, and referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Joseph J. Thompson, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Third Ward, returning a bill of John Harrison not approved.

Referred to the Finance Committee

Commissioner WETMORE presented the following report from the Council of the Chamber of Commerce :

*To the Chamber of Commerce :*

Your Committee, appointed to serve as a Council of the Nautical School, respectfully submit the following, their report :

Under the Act of the Legislature, authorizing a Nautical School as part of the State System of Education, the Board of Education was charged with the duty of organization and responsible control. And the duties of your committee, as defined by the Act, are to advise and co-operate with the Board, and to visit and examine the school, and make reports to the Chamber, which may transmit them or an abstract of them, to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with such recommendations as may be thought advisable.

The Board of Education, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, appointed an Executive Committee for the care, government and management of the School. With this Committee, of which Mr. David Wetmore is chairman, your Committee has freely communicated. And we bear cheerful testimony to the untiring zeal and to the prudence and sagacity with which the work of organization and maintenance has been prosecuted by the gentlemen to whom it was so intrusted.

The preliminary difficulties will be readily appreciated. It was the proper aim of the Executive Committee to secure the utmost efficiency and substantial good with the least practicable expenditure. But the plan was, in this country at least, new and untried, the sailors being almost the only class of citizens for whom this great commercial city had wholly failed to provide instruction. There was need of concerted action by separate State, national and municipal authorities, between whom differences of opinion might naturally arise. And the adjustment of

details, with due reference to selection and regulation of pupils, as well as to their instruction, involved questions as to which there was doubt and solicitude.

It is due to the Executive Committee, and to the officers engaged by them, to say that their success in overcoming these difficulties has exceeded the expectation of your Committee.

By the joint effort of the two Committees, with the aid of Hon. Henry J. Scudder and other members of Congress and friends of the movement, passage of an Act of Congress was obtained, empowering the Secretary of the Navy to detail for use of nautical schools, in this and other sea ports, vessels not needed for other service, and authorizing the President to detail officers of the navy for service as superintendents and instructors.

Through the prompt and judicious exercise of these powers, the sloop "*St. Marys*" was detailed as the school ship at this port. And the Executive Committee secured the services of Commander R. L. Phythian as Superintendent, and of Lieutenant Commander Geo. H. Wadleigh and Lieutenants G. W. De Long and W. H. Jaques as instructors. The first named officer had been an instructor in the Naval Academy, and the other officers are graduates of that institution.

Under these auspices the school was opened in December, 1874, from which time it has been in successful operation. The reports show an average attendance, or membership of about 100 young pupils receiving daily lessons and training. Their life on board ship has tended to familiarize it to them as a home and a scene of future labor. The course of elementary instruction is thorough, and adapted to the needs of intelligent seamanship, and it is calculated to equip, for future advancement in the science of navigation, all such as have the patience and energy requisite for such advancement.

Daily exercise in the handling of sails and other evolutions, relieving the routine of study, is efficient training for practical sea duty. And regularity of hours and diet, and the exact discipline of the navy, tempered to the altered circumstances of the case, promote sound health, orderly habits and aptitude for intelligent obedience, and, as a consequence, for responsible command.

In aid of your Committee, in its visitorial duty, Messrs. Ambrose Snow, Charles H. Haswell and James Parker, all of whom are competent judges, recently made a careful inspection of the School. Their report is herewith submitted. Their commendation of the organization, and of the proficiency of the scholars has strongly confirmed your Committee in the favorable opinion entertained by them.

It is proper to add that the report of Dr. Burleigh, the surgeon in charge, indicates a sanitary condition which few assemblages of boys upon shore can favorably compare with.

The expense account, which has been kept far below the estimates, forms no considerable burden upon the funds raised for educational purposes. Indeed, there is good reason to expect, in the restraint of the spirit of adventure within safe and lawful bounds, an ultimate pecuniary gain far exceeding the costs. And no danger of excess is to be apprehended if the conservatism of the present Executive Committee, aided by the combination with the Naval system, can be continued in force.

Your Committee cordially commend the School and its management to the favor of the Chamber, and bespeak for them a continuance of its interest in their prosperity. The immediate achievement of striking results was not to be expected. But the progress made gives promise of great and far-reaching good, in the correction of lamentable ignorance and disorder in the merchant marine, and the assimilation of it to other reputable

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and trained professions, and to the orderly discipline of the Navy.

Your Committee would further respectfully recommend,

1. That a copy or abstract of this report, if approved, be transmitted by the Chamber to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

2. That the Secretary of the Chamber be authorized to receive from respectable shipowners and merchants, and transmit to the Executive Committee or Superintendent, applications for graduates or pupils of the School, to be taken into active service in the merchant marine.

If the latter recommendation be acted upon, due precaution needs to be taken, on the part of employers and teachers, to place these young sailors under command only of just and humane masters. This precaution is needful, not with a view to undue favoritism, but as a safeguard against such treatment as will tend to repel from the service and react disastrously upon the School itself.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. JONES,  
JOHN K. MEYERS,  
HENRY A. BARLING.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, 1875.

NEW YORK, *November 15th*, 1875.

MESSRS. JOHN D. JONES, JOHN K. MYERS,  
HENRY A. BARLING, *Council of the*  
*N. Y. Nautical School:*

GENTLEMEN: We have to state, that, in compliance with your request contained in your letter, we have made an examination

of the New York Nautical School Ship, *St. Marys*. The day selected was Friday, October 11th, 1875, and invitations were issued by the Chamber to merchants and others interested in shipping, a large number of whom were present.

1st. Condition of the vessel.

The *St. Marys* is an old-fashioned sloop of war of the navy, with two decks, and a third light deck over; and has substantially the same fittings that pertained to her when she was in service. The rigging and sails are better suited to a full crew of men, than a light crew of boys; the ropes being large and blocks small; the spars and sails heavier than would be the case with those of a merchant vessel of the same size; and there are none of the labor-saving appliances found on board merchant vessels.

The vessel is very clean, and well-ventilated; and there are good arrangements for the comfort and care of the scholars, including lighting, and heating by steam.

2d. The Superintendent, Commander R. L. Phythian, U. S. N., is a gentleman of experience as an instructor at the Naval Academy; and his assistants Lieutenant-Commander George H. Wadleigh, and Lieutenants G. W. DeLong and W. H. Jaques are graduates of that institution, and are all well fitted for their present duties.

*The Examination consisted,*

1st. Of an inspection of the scholars.

When so many boys are to be kept together, great attention is necessary to give them good habits in regard to personal cleanliness. This inspection shows that this duty has been well performed. All the boys were well clad, and very clean, and orderly in their personal appearance.



2d. Of the proficiency of the scholars in the performance and knowledge of the evolutions.

*The Exercises consisted,*

- a. Loosing sails.
- b. Making sail.
- c. Reefing and hoisting.
- d. Shaking out reefs.
- e. Furling sails.
- f. Use of boats and oars.

The sails handled, were fore, main, and mizzen top-sails, and topgallant sails.

As already stated, the day was exceedingly unpleasant ; and, although it did not rain hard, the weather was just wet enough to stiffen up cordage and sails, and make the decks slippery ; but notwithstanding this, all the above evolutions were performed within one hour ; which, under the circumstances, would have been fair work for a reasonably drilled crew of men.

3d. Making knots, splices and bends, worming, parceling and serving ; and generally doing such things as are required in the daily experience of the sailor, with the cordage and hauling lines of the vessel ; also touching their knowledge of the different parts of the sails and the use of those parts ; heaving the lead ; use of compasses ; marks on lead and log-lines, &c., &c.

In all these the boys seemed well-instructed ; displaying more or less proficiency, according to their length of service, and aptness for such work.

4th. Inspection of the Provisions, Dispensary and Hospital Arrangements.

Upon this subject we have to say, that the rations were all of the best quality, and ample in quantity ; and the cooking, and mess arrangements, are ample and well ordered.

A report, showing the amount and kinds of food issued, is attached hereto.

The dispensary and hospital arrangements are under the direction and care of Doctor D. C. Burleigh, of the Navy, and are of the same character as those of the United States Naval Service. Nothing can be desired in this particular ; and the general health of the ship during the past year, as exemplified by the Report of the Surgeon hereto attached, is the best criterion by which to judge.

#### 5th. General Efficiency and Discipline.

In these respects the ship is well ordered. The various evolutions were characterized by promptness. The boys seemed respectful towards the Superintendent and his assistants ; and from personal inquiry of the boys, we are well satisfied, that the discipline of shipboard life has been tempered with proper consideration for the governed.

The boys expressed themselves satisfied, and content with their experience in the past ; and are looking hopefully forward to their future.

Upon the whole, we are of the opinion, that the Council should be gratified with the progress made ; and that, in the future, New York will have ample cause to be proud of her Nautical School.

Very Respectfully,

AMBROSE SNOW,  
CHARLES H. HASWELL,  
JAMES PARKER.

*Ordered*, That said Report be entered in full in the minutes, and referred to the Executive Committee on Nautical School.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That 1,650 copies of the Annual Report of the President of the Normal College for 1875 be printed, and that a copy be given to each of the students of the Normal College.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

*Resolved*, That 3,250 copies of the City Superintendent's Annual Report for 1875 be printed, and that a copy be sent to each of the teachers in the employment of this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner West offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Board of Education be, and he is hereby directed to notify the Trustees of the several Wards of their duties and responsibilities under the Compulsory Education Act, as required by sections 3 and 5 of chapter 421 of the Laws of 1874.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Principal of each and every department of the Common Schools of this city shall be regularly furnished with a copy of the minutes of this Board, and that the same shall be regularly filed for the use of the departments.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano and piano stool, not to exceed in cost the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385.00), to be charged to the appropriation for pianos; and to loan said piano, at their discretion, to the Nautical School.

Objections being made to considering the resolution, it was laid over.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, recommending the appointment of Christian F. Tietjen as Trustee for the Twentieth Ward, in place of William Kilian, resigned; and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Christian F. Tietjen, residence No. 311 West 33d street, be, and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Twentieth Ward, in the place of William Kilian, who declines to accept his appointment thereto, said Tietjen to hold office for the term of five years from the first day of January, Eighteen hundred and seventy-six

(1876); this appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the sixth section of the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, chaps. 112 and 215 of the Laws of 1873.

DAVID WETMORE, HENRY P. WEST, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, ALBERT KLAMROTH, WILLIAM WOOD, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from two of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, requesting that inquiry be made as to the business proceedings of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, stating that they know of no reasons calling for any such inquiry, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

DAVID WETMORE, HENRY P. WEST, J. M. HALSTED, LAWSON N. FULLER, WILLIAM WOOD, R. G. BEARDSLEE, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the subject, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, submitting the following nominations :

Urania Downs Secord, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 15.

Henrietta Katkamier, Vice Principal F. D. G. S. No. 15.

and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Miss Urania Downs Secord and Miss Henrietta Katkamier, nominated by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 15, they having (as appears from the annexed certificates of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and they hereby are appointed to said positions, from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED.	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
LEONARD HAZELTINE,		
WILLIAM DOWD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner HALSTED presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating Elbert W. Brown for Vice-Principal, Male Department of Grammar School No. 14, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Elbert W. Brown, nominated by the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 14, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be, and he hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service.

J. M. HALSTED, LEONARD HAZELTINE, WM. DOWD, FERDINAND TRAUD, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner BAKER presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in accordance with a resolution adopted by this Board appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Journal pp. 426, 444 and 445), submitting a resolution approving for payment a bill incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bill incurred under a resolution of this Board (Journal pp. 426, 444 and 445), be, and the same is hereby approved for payment :

Avery & Riggins, 11th Ward..... \$88 86

DAVID F. BAKER, LAWSON N. FULLER, MORRIS WILKINS,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, in accordance with a resolution of the Board, appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, etc., (Jol. pp. 426, 444, 445,) and submitting a resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution of this Board appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, etc., (Journal, pp. 426, 444 and 445) be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

4th Ward,	William A. Kemp.....	\$32	40
11th	“ Guy Culgin.....	149	31
	Butcher & Butler.....	52	91
12th	“ James E. Poole.....	129	67
18th	“ Joseph Farwell.....	140	00
19th	“ George Vassar.....	319	19
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		\$823	48

WM. DOWD, DAVID F. BAKER, S. P. PATTERSON,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine,



Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for a new piano for Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, recommending that a piano and stool be furnished said Branch, at an expense not to exceed \$385, and asking an appropriation of that amount.

DAVID WETMORE,  
EDWARD O. JENKINS,  
DAVID F. BAKER,

}

Committee on  
School  
Furniture.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, in accordance with resolution appropriating \$21,500 for repairs to buildings, furniture and heating apparatus (Jol. pp. 426, 444, 445), submitting the following resolution approving for payment sundry bills incurred under said appropriation :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills, incurred under a resolution of this Board appropriating \$21,500 for general repairs, &c., to buildings, (Jol. pp. 426, 444, 445), be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Robert Paton & Son, 9th Ward.....	\$97 50
Ed. B. Hayes, 12th Ward.....	24 75
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	\$122 25

DAVID WETMORE,  
EDW'D O. JENKINS,  
DAVID F. BAKER,

}

Committee on  
School  
Furniture.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner HAZELTINE presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending the appointment of J. H. Zabriskie as teacher in the Evening High School, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the action of the Committee on Evening Schools, in assigning Mr. Hugh Carlisle to the position of teacher of Penmanship, in the Evening High School, *vice* B. D. L. Southerland, resigned, and in appointing Mr. Josiah H. Zabriskie to the position formerly held by Mr. Carlisle, be, and the same is hereby confirmed.

LEONARD HAZELTINE,	} <i>Committee on</i>
EDWARD O. JENKINS,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>Evening</i>
	<i>Schools.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Supplies, relative to paying the bill of Charles S. Wright, amounting to the sum of \$33.50, stating that the Board has the "ability" to pay said bill.

The resolution presented by the Committee on Supplies is on page 812 of the Journal.

Wm. Dowd,  
LEONARD HAZELTINE, } *Finance*  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, } *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the Report of the Committee on Supplies, as found on page 812 of the Journal, in connection with this Report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on School Furniture, asking an appropriation of the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385), to purchase a piano and stool for Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, stating that the Board has the "ability" to make such appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano and stool for the use of the Branch of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 4, at an expense not to exceed the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385); the bill to be paid on the approval of said Committee, and charged to the fund appropriated for pianos.

Wm. Dowd,  
LEONARD HAZELTINE, } *Finance*  
R. G. BEARDSLEE, } *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

Commissioner WEST presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved :

H. Wilson, repairs—chimneys.....	\$29 25
John J. Harrison, repairs—roofs.....	82 47
James Watson, daily papers 6 mos. to Dec. 31..	28 44
Slote, Woodman & Co., stationery, Dec. 4, 13..	23 15
George C. Marshal, evening papers to Dec. 31..	10 00
<i>Evening Post</i> , advertising to Nov. 18.....	61 60
<i>New York Times</i> , advertising to Dec. 2.....	239 00
W. C. Bryant & Co., printing, “Nov.”.....	269 95
L. D. Kiernan, incidentals to Dec. 20.....	81 81
Cushing & Bardua, printing to Dec. 21.....	211 58

HENRY P. WEST, }  
S. P. PATTERSON, } *Auditing*  
DAVID F. BAKER, } *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes*—WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine, Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Patterson, Traud, West, Wetmore, Wood and Wilkins—16.

MOTION AND RESOLUTIONS.

*Commissioner WETMORE* offered the following :

*Resolved* That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase a piano and piano-stool not to exceed in cost the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385), to be charged to the appropriation for pianos, and to loan said piano, at their discretion, to the Nautical School.

*Referred* to the Finance Committee, with instructions to report at this meeting.

By unanimous consent, Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Wetmore, authorizing the Committee on School Furniture to purchase a piano and stool, at an expense not exceeding three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385), stating that the Board has the "ability" to authorize said purchase.

The resolution is in the Journal of this date.

WM. DOWD, LEONARD HAZELTINE, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The President put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution presented by Commissioner Wetmore, and found on page 848 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

*Ayes* WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Halsted, Hazeltine,

Jenkins, Kelly, Klamroth, Traud, West, Wetmore and Wood—14.

*Nays*—Commissioners Patterson and Wilkins—2.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the By-Laws of this Board, as altered and amended, together with the statutes relating to the educational interests committed to its charge, be printed in slips, and copies furnished to the members of the Board before the Manual is printed, as heretofore ordered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Board of Education are hereby tendered to L. D. Kiernan, Esq., Clerk of the Board, for his unremitting attention to, and admirable dispatch of its business, including his onerous and most responsible duties as clerk of many of the most important standing committees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BAKER offered the following :

*Resolved*, That this Board hereby thanks its Auditor, John Davenport, for the efficient, painstaking and dignified manner with which he has discharged the duties of his office during the year now about to close.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner HALSTED offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Board are eminently due, and are hereby tendered to Mr. William H. Neilson, for the able, efficient and impartial manner in which he has discharged the responsible duties of President of this Board during the year now closing.

The CLERK put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,  
*Clerk.*

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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### *To the Board of Education :*

The Finance Committee herewith submit the annual statement of the financial operations of the Board for the year 1875, as transcribed from the auditor's accounts. It includes, in a separate exhibit, the transactions during the year, for the liquidation of the indebtedness of 1874; the existing liabilities for that year, and the resources for their discharge. The sum placed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at the disposition of the Board of Education, for the purposes of "public instruction" in 1875, was three million six hundred and fifty-three thousand dollars (\$3,653,000), an increase over the original apportionment of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000.00) which sum was transferred, at the request of this Board, from the one hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000.00), of the fund for 1874, relinquished in April last, to enable the Board to re-erect Grammar School Building No. 36, which was destroyed by fire in June, 1875. The payments made from this fund, by vouchers sent to the Comptroller, for the purposes of the public schools, aggregate three million two hundred and sixty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighty-one dollars and eighty-nine cents (\$3,267,981.89) the sum disbursed to the Corporate Schools, by apportionment, is one hundred and three thousand one hundred and twelve dollars and ninety-three cents (\$103,112.93), making the total payments three million three hundred and seventy-one thousand and ninety-four dollars and eighty-two cents (\$3,371,094.82), and leaving a balance for the discharge of all existing claims of two hundred and eighty-one thousand nine hundred and five dollars



and eighteen cents (\$281,905.18). The amount of these claims to be paid from this sum is, in round numbers, one hundred and seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000.00), which is so favorable in comparison with the balance of the fund as to admit of a transfer from it of at least one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), for the purposes of 1876.

In this connection, attention is invited to the statement presented by the "general account," to which the balances of appropriations for 1874, not required, have been transferred, which shows a credit balance of sixty-seven thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight dollars (\$67,878.00) over and above all obligations for that year; the conservative character of the Board in the management of the funds allotted to it is evident in the results thus exhibited.

The expenditures for the support of the Nautical School, Compulsory Education, Supplies, Fuel, Gas, and incidental expenditures of the Board itself, are much less than the estimates and appropriations, while those for the salaries of professors and tutors in the Normal College and Schools, and for Janitors of Ward Schools, are more. These differences will be adjusted by transfers of the amounts as directed by the Board.

Your Committee recommend that this statement be printed in the Journal of the Board for 1875, and in the Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. DOWD,  
R. G. BEARDSLEE,  
EDWARD SCHELL,  
EUGENE KELLY,

} *Finance  
Committee.*

NEW YORK, *Feb.* 2, 1876.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

*Of the Board of Education for the year 1875, embracing the transactions during this year for account of the year 1874.*

### RESOURCES.

For the payment of the liabilities of the years  
1873 and 1874 :

Balance with the Comptroller per last report.	\$472,989 78	
Amount from the Fund for the Establishment and Organization of a Nautical School, act of 1873, per payments on this account.....	7,747 39	
	<hr/>	\$480,687 17

### PAYMENTS.

For account of 1873 and 1874, viz. :

Normal College Building, railings, &c.....	\$13,028 00	
School Building site, on 75th Street, Nineteenth Ward.....	17,000 00	
Buildings, furniture, heating apparatus, alterations and repairs of the same.....	116,795 32	
Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	940 57	
Salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools, 1873 account.....	320 00	
Salaries of Janitors in Normal College.....	24 00	
Salaries of Teachers in Evening Schools in December, 1874....	20,746 63	
Salaries of Teachers in Colored Evening Schools, in December, 1874....	409 50	
Depository supplies....	528 25	
Fuel....	285 86	
Gas .....	3,231 82	
Incidental expenses of the Board of Education—stationery, &c.....	459 90	
Incidental exp's of Ward Schools, repairs, &c	8,942 62	
Piano and repairs....	570 00	
Workshop—wages and materials.....	419 63	
Rents of school premises.....	1,101 66	
Expenses, repairs, &c., Normal College and Schools.....	608 03	
Expenses of Colored Schools.....	54 97	
Expenses of Evening Schools.....	20 85	
	<hr/>	\$180,487 61

Establishment and organization of a Nautical School: Sundries from the fund of 1873...		7,747 39
Eighth District account, viz.:		
Teachers' salaries, Ward Schools.....	40 26	
Incidental exp's of Ward Schools, repairs, &c..	328 15	
School site on 157th Street, 23d Ward.....	9,000 00	
Repairs of buildings, furniture, &c., &c. } Specials, }	8,753 72	18,122 13
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Total expenditures for 1874.....		\$206,357 13
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Balance with the Comptroller for 1873 and 1874.		\$274,330 04
Less amount relinquished by the Board per resolution of the 21st of April, 1875, from fund of 1874.....		130,000 00
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Balance.....		\$144,330 04
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*Liabilities for which the above Balance is available, viz.:*

Erecting Grammar School Building on 54th street, in 19th Ward.....	\$47,076 00	
Erecting Grammar School Building on 128th st. in 12th Ward.....	3,121 00	
Repairing roofs, &c., of Grammar Schools 25 and 16.....	200 00	
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	50,397 00	
Evening School of Practical Chemistry.....	8,000 00	
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		58,397 00
Normal College railing, &c., &c.....	13,054 22	
Examination and report on the subject of warming and ventilation.....	5,000 00	
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		18,054 22
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Total.....		\$76,451 22
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**STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR 1873 AND 1874,**  
*And the transfers thereto, for the Adjusting and Closing of the Appropriation Accounts, as directed by the Resolutions of the Board, per Journal of 1874, pages 187 and 902.*

**DEBITS, 1873 ACCOUNTS.**

To salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools, deficit.	\$2,422 98	
To salaries of Normal Schools, deficit.....	5,201 09	
To salaries of Colored Schools, deficit.....	3,048 13	
To fuel account, deficit.....	10,261 58	
To expenses Board of Education, deficit.....	1,188 15	
To salaries of Evening Schools, deficit.....	9,334 71	
To salaries of Colored Schools, deficit.....	459 00	
To gas account, deficit.....	3,606 04	
To depository, Bill of C. Mahoney.....	2,000 00	
To expenses Normal Schools, deficit.....	255 12	
To expenses of Board of Education, deficit. ....	1,717 93	
	<hr/>	39,494 73
Balance to 1874.....		18,027 65
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Total.....		<b>\$57,522 38</b>

**CREDITS, 1873 ACCOUNTS.**

By salaries of Teachers in Ward Sch's, surplus.	\$35,070 52	
By salaries of employees of the Board, surplus.	8,437 80	
By depository, supplies for Schools, surplus....	5,793 01	
By incidental expenses of Trustees—Balance \$6,061.80, less due Wards, \$3,600.00 surplus	2,461 80	
By pianos, surplus.....	529 25	
By shop, surplus.....	1,293 20	
By rents, surplus.....	152 28	
By apparatus, &c., Normal, Evening and Col- ored Schools, surplus.....	3,326 62	
By balance Literary Fund, Normal College, sur- plus .....	457 90	
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Total.....		<b>\$57,522 38</b>

**DEBITS, 1874 ACCOUNTS.**

To Amount relinquished of the Fund for 1874, found to be in ex- cess of the amounts required or deemed necessary for the pur- poses or objects thereof, resolution per Journal, page 284....	\$130,000 00
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To claim of Janitor, Grammar School No. 22, for 1873 account, sent Comptroller.....	220 00
To transfer of balances of accounts for adjust- ment, per resolution, Journal, pages 301 and 302, viz.:	

*Eighth District*

To incidental expenses of 2d and 24th Wards.....	1,460 58	
To repairs of buildings, furniture, &c.....	2,136 09	
To balance down, subject to the future disposi- tion of the Board.....	67,578 22	
Total.....	<hr/>	<u>\$207,355</u>

**CREDITS, 1874 ACCOUNTS.**

By balance from 1873.....		\$12,027
By salaries of teachers in Ward Schools, surplus.....	\$50,939 95	
By salaries of janitors in Ward Schools, surplus.....	588 01	
By salaries of teachers in Normal Schools, sur- plus.....	5,958 09	
By salaries of teachers in Evening Schools, sur- plus.....	1,920 54	
By salaries of teachers in Colored Schools, sur- plus.....	1,628 56	
By salaries of employees of Board of Education, surplus.....	6,853 39	
By depository account, supplies; surplus.....	29,042 24	
By fuel, surplus.....	8,382 79	
By gas, surplus.....	8,728 01	
By expenses Board of Education, surplus.....	1,465 95	
By Piano, surplus.....	1,888 00	
By shops, surplus.....	177 77	
By rents, surplus.....	3,415 25	
By expenses Normal, Evening, and Colored schools, surplus.....	7,530 86	
By incidental expenses, Ward trustees, surplus.....	12,273 48	
By Normal College building fund, difference on contracts.....	5 89	
	<hr/>	140,790
By payments on special appropriations not re- quired for present liabilities.....		38,607

*Eighth District.*

By salaries of teachers and janitors in Ward		
Schools, surplus.....	614 86	
By supplies, books, maps. &c.....	4,129 39	
By fuel, surplus.....	3,875 42	
By rents, surplus.....	1,810 04	10,429 71
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Total.....		\$207,855 49
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By balance down, see Journal, page 902 of 1874.....		\$67,878 82
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## STATEMENT OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1874.

Balance per last report—Liabilities 31st December, 1874.....	\$184,196 88	
Appropriated since—Sundries.....	2,446 98	
Appropriated for repairs, Eighth District, by transfer—Journal, page 902.....	139 53	
	<hr/>	186,783 39
Of this amount the Board rescinded by transfers, per Journal, pages 901 and 902—Sundries.....		2,591 07
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Net appropriations.....		184,192 32
Payments per financial statement by Comptroller.		133,795 82
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Present liabilities on special appropriations for Ward School buildings.....		\$50,397 00
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## RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF 1875.

Amount apportioned for "Public Instruction" by Board of Estimate and Apportionment	\$3,583,000 00	
Amount re-transferred, by Board of Estimate and Apportionment, from the fund of 1874	70,000 00	
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		\$3,653,000 00
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PAYMENTS, FOR ACCOUNT OF 1875,

By Vouchers sent the Comptroller, viz.:

Expenses of Compulsory Education.....	\$14,350 53	
Support of the Nautical School.....	22,497 14	
Salaries of teachers in Ward Schools.....	2,235,751 64	
Salaries of janitors in Ward Schools.....	121,018 43	
Salaries of teachers and janitors in Normal Schools and College.....	82,539 88	
Salaries of teachers and janitors in the Evening Schools.....	89,456 67	
Salaries of teachers and janitors in the Colored Schools.....	40,568 64	
Incidental expenses, current repairs, Clerks to Trustees, &c., &c.....	54,516 59	
Expenses of the Board of Education, stationery, advertising, repairs to hall, printing, &c..	18,853 15	
Employees of the Board of Education, salaries, superintendents, clerks, &c.....	78,171 58	
Fuel for all the schools.....	87,889 28	
Gas for all the Schools and the Hall of the Board Workshop, wages and materials.....	14,562 78	
Pianos and repairs of.....	1,506 09	
Pianos and repairs of.....	4,755 00	
Depository account, books, maps, stationery and general supplies for all the schools.....	162,843 77	
Rents for school premises.....	51,555 31	

Expenses Normal College and Schools:

For scientific apparatus and chemicals.....	\$2,553 98	
For current repairs, printing, stationery, &c	3,309 29	
For storm doors.....	470 08	6,333 35
Expenses of Evening Schools, printing, &c....	1,850 56	
Expenses of Colored Schools, current repairs, &c	627 44	
	—————	3,089,647 83
Site on 75th street, in 19th Ward.....	6,000 00	
Erecting buildings.....	7,000 00	
Altering and repairing buildings, special.....	83,845 40	
Furniture and repairing, special.....	29,955 59	
Heating apparatus and repairing, special.....	51,533 07	178,334 06
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		\$3,267,981 89

Corporate Schools, apportionment for 1875, as  
per reports of the Finance Committee of  
21st of April and June 16th, Journal, pages  
289 and 446 .....

103,112 93

Total payments.....\$3,371,094 82

Balance with the Comptroller.....\$281,905 18

### LIABILITIES OF 1875.

On special appropriations for sites, buildings,  
furniture and heating apparatus, per state-  
ment.....

\$142,302 79

Salaries of teachers in Evening Schools for De-  
cember.....

18,800 00

Salaries of officers and crew of Nautical School  
for December, etc.....

1,257 00

Incidental expenses of Ward Schools by Trus-  
tees, balance due.....

3,410 00

Salaries of teachers in Colored Evening Schools  
for December.....

293 00

Gas for December.....

2,742 00

Sundries, incidental expenses, &c., &c., esti-  
mated.....

1,000 00

Total.....\$169,804 79

### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES AND PAYMENTS, 1875.

#### *Credits with the Comptroller.*

Balance from 1874.....

\$480,687 17

Fund for 1875.....

3,653,000 00

\$4,183,687 17

Relinquished by the Board in April.....

130,000 00

4,003,687 17



Payments for Account of 1874.....	\$206,357 13	
“ Account of 1875.....	3,371,094 82	
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Total payments in 1875.....		\$3,577,451 95

*Balances with the Comptroller.*

Account of 1874.....	\$144,330 04	
Account of 1875.....	281,905 18	
	<hr/>	\$426,235 22
Liabilities for account of 1874.....	76,451 22	
Liabilities for account of 1875.....	169,804 79	
	<hr/>	246,256 01
Surplus:.....		\$179,979 21
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STATEMENT OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

*Made by the Board in 1875, for Buildings, Repairs, Furniture and Heating Apparatus, and of the fund “reserved and set apart” for these purposes.*

Amount “reserved and set apart” for special purposes, 3d February.....		\$245,033 00
Amount re-transferred by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment from the fund of 1874.		70,000 00
Amount transferred by Board of Education, 15th December, from the appropriation for support of a Nautical School.....		15,000 00
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		\$330,033 00
From this sum the Board appropriated :		
For deficiency in the sum apportioned to the Corporate Schools.....	\$112 93	
For the expenses of the Normal College additional	600 00	712 93
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Leaving for Buildings, etc.....		\$329,320 07
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APPROPRIATIONS.

For site, (one lot additional). on 75th street....	6,000 00
For site in 22d Ward.....	28,000 00
For erecting Grammar School No. 36, in 11th Ward.....	63,917 00
For erecting buildings in 23d Ward .....	40,942 00
For altering and re-furnishing Grammar School No. 38, in 8th Ward.....	27,555 00

For additions to new building on Thomas ave., 24th Ward.....	15,284 00	
For furniture, heating apparatus and general repairs to the same and to all Buildings....	152,167 97	333,865 97
Rescinded by the Board May 19th.....	6,957 12	
“ “ “ .....	6,212 00	
Deducted from contracts of James P. Isaacs ...	60 00	13,229 12
		320,636 85
Payments on account of these appropriations as per general statement.....		178,334 06
Amount of liabilities on contracts, etc., per Ledger accounts.....		142,302 79
RESERVED FUND, as above stated.....		330,033 00
Deduct appropriated for Normal College and Corporate Schools.....		712 93
		\$329,320 07
Appropriations for buildings, etc., as above....		320,636 85
Leaving amount unappropriated.....		\$8,683 22

## STATEMENT OF SPECIAL ACCOUNTS.

*Fund for the Establishment and Organization of a Nautical School, per Act of April 24th, 1873.*

Balance per last report, December 31, 1874....	\$46,170 83	
Paid since by vouchers sent the Comptroller....	7,747 39	
Balance of fund available.....		\$38,423 44

*Public School Building Fund Stock, per Act of April 25th, 1871.*

Balance per last report, December 31, 1874.....	29,875 82	
Due on Appropriation per last report, rescinded Journal, page 902....	356 15	
Balance of fund available.....		\$30,231 87

*Normal College Building Fund.*

Balance of appropriation per last report.....		\$26,088 11
Payments on account of contracts by vouchers sent the Comptroller.....	13,028 00	
Transferred difference on contract.....	5 89	13,033 89
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Balance for contract liabilities.....		\$13,054 22
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*December 31st, 1875.*

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